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VISITORS IN Alpine for the quarterly meeting held there September 27 saw the Highland Country at its best. The meeting was lightly attended due to a number of reasons but the quality of the welcome and the entertainment provided was high.

Good rains in the Alpine - Fort Davis-Marfa areas for the past several weeks has made the country green clear to the top of the mountains. It rained hard during and before the meeting. Some members were held up Friday afternoon trying to get to Alpine and others went through water Saturday night following the meeting.

PREDATORY ANIMAL TROUBLE

One of the motions passed at the meeting was one urging the next Legislature to appropriate ample funds to carry on the work of controlling predators.

The Association membership is concentrated in the Edwards Plateau-Trans Pecos areas but most of the members of the Legislature are outside this area. The directors urge all members and others to contact their Representative and State Senator as well as those in other districts they might know regarding the importance of this work. Friends in other Senatorial and Representative Districts should be contacted for help through their representatives also.

LIVESTOCK THEFT

The Livestock Theft Committee called to the attention of all producers that present high prices and abundant feed increase the danger of theft.

The Association offers a reward of \$500.00 leading to the arrest and final conviction of persons stealing sheep or goats from its members.

MEXICAN LABOR

Labor difficulties still haunt Texas ranchmen in spite of new agreements with Mexico, additional assurances from Washington and a new and rea-

sonable wage survey result. But the U. S. Department of Labor in Washington has announced a big increase in wages to be paid braceros.

A wage survey in twenty-four West Texas counties has just recently been completed. It was made at the request of the government of Mexico, who apparently felt that their Nationals were not receiving the prevailing wage or \$75.00 per month, whichever was higher. The agreement between the two countries provides for such a survey if it is requested.

It was carried out by the Texas Employment Commission but with representatives of the U. S. Department of Labor on hand to watch the tabulation. The survey was broken into four categories of ranch workers — from day laborers to foremen.

In the category in which most Mexican National ranch hands are found, the survey showed a pay range which indicated a prevailing wage of \$90-\$150. This was the opinion of representatives of the Texas Employment Commission and a U. S. Department of Labor man who was here for the tabulation.

The findings as announced by the Department require payment of \$110 to \$233 per month with board and room furnished.

Association officers have protested the announced findings as being inaccurate and are taking all steps possible to have it changed to the wage as indicated in the survey.

Official Minutes

FOURTH QUARTERLY DIRECTORS MEETING TEXAS SHEEP AND GOAT RAISERS' ASSOCIATION ALPINE, TEXAS, SEPTEMBER 27, 1958

THE FOURTH quarterly meeting of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association was called to order at 1:50 P.M. by President T. A. Kincaid. The invocation was given by Reverend R. R. Reed, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Alpine. Paul Forcheimer, President of the Alpine Chamber of Commerce, and Dr. Bryan Wildenthal, President of Sul Ross State College, extended a welcome to the group. Second Vice President L. M. Stephens responded. Mr. Kincaid then introduced the President of Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, Norman Moser, and Mrs. Moser, Dr. L. R. Noyes, Director, Texas Livestock Sanitary Commission, and Dr. Wilbur of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. President Kincaid also introduced Mrs. Jacqueline Wilhelm, new Assistant Secretary to the Association. The following directors were present:

John Alexander, Allie Allsup, James Baggett, Aubrey L. Baugh, Earl Byrd, E. G. Cauble, Jr., Joe Clark, Tom Collins, V. Z. Cornelius, K. Cowser, Harry L. Curtis, W. R. Cusenbary, Arlie Davis, Murlin Davis, Aubrey DeLong, Joe Dobson, John G. Dooley, O. D. Dooley, Worth Evans, J. S. (Sayers) Farmer, H. K. (Horace) Fawcett, R. B. Ferguson, W. E. Friend, Jr., Frank Fulk.

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President Kincaid stated that he would hold his report on activities until the annual convention in Dallas but did mention the three-year extension of the National Wool Act and that Dr. Noyes would discuss later the Animal Health Program in Texas,

which he felt was of much interest to the Association. He extended thanks to Hiram Phillips, Editor of the Sheep and Goat Raiser, for advertising this meeting over radio station WOAI.

Vice President Stephens explained the proposed health and accident insurance plan which a special committee of the Association had approved the afternoon before and now recommended to the directors. He stated that this insurance plan, which would be available to the Association members only, should build up membership if it worked as it did in wool-grower and cattle-raiser associations in other states. He stated that the program was underwritten by the Continental Casualty Company and though the Association had no intention of going into the insurance business, he and the special committee felt that it should be made available to members and moved that the plan be adopted. It was seconded by Worth Evans and after the types of policies were explained by Mark Doody of Continental Casualty Company, the motion unanimously carried. President Kincaid stated that insurance representatives would call on members and non-members after being thoroughly briefed by the Association regarding dues regulations. He said proper steps would be taken to prevent growers joining the Association in order to obtain the insurance and then not paying proper dues.

President Kincaid told of an invitation from the Shamrock-Hilton Hotel, Houston, to the National Wool Growers Association to hold its 1960 annual convention in that city. Edwin Mayer, Sr., moved that the President be authorized to invite the National Wool Growers Association to Texas for the 1960 convention. It

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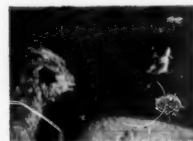
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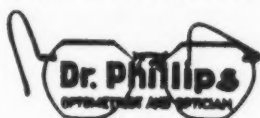
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MINUTES

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was seconded and unanimously carried.

Mr. Mayer presented the following resolutions and moved their adoption and they were unanimously carried:

1. **Animal Health Laws** — We heartily endorse the Nine-Point Program of the Texas Animal Health Council which, briefly stated, are as follows: (1) Secure legislation for control of brucellosis; (2) Revise present disease control laws pertaining to sheep and swine; (3) Neces-

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sary legislation to prevent use of viru-lent hog cholera vaccines within Tex-as; (4) Legislation to modify name of Texas Livestock Sanitary Commission; (5) Revise present animal tubercular laws; (6) Revision of laws that concern interstate shipment of cattle; (7) Legislation to allow control of move-ment of livestock and poultry within Texas; (7) Vigorous educational ef-forts aimed to acquaint producers with needs and problems of animal health; (9) Adequate financing of Texas Livestock Sanitary Commission by ap-propriations from general funds.

2. **Livestock Truckers** — We re-quest the Texas Railroad Commission to exempt livestock haulers from the provisions of the Motor Carrier Act. The hauling of livestock is a distinct service and it is hardly fair to include it under the restrictions and regula-tions of general motor hauling.

3. **Magazine**—In order to enable the officers to better discharge their obligations regarding the magazine, the Editor of the Sheep and Goat Raiser Magazine is directed to submit his statement of costs to the Associa-tion office not later than March 30 each year.

4. **A. & M. Appointments** — We urge the Governor of the state to fill vacancies of the Texas A. & M. Col-lege Board with persons engaged in agriculture.

5. **Predators** — Control of preda-tors, whether animals or birds, is one of the more serious problems connect-ed with the sheep and goat industry. We urge the Texas Legislature to ap-

propriate ample funds to carry on the work of controlling predators and we urge the members of this association as well as every livestock owner in the state to emphasize the importance of this problem to his legislators.

6. **C. R. Landon**—We note the re-tirement on August 3 this year of C. R. Landon of San Antonio, Texas, from his post as District Agent, Texas District, Branch of Predator and Rodent Control, Bureau of Sport Fish-eries and Wildlife, U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Mr. Landon has long been a true friend of ranchmen in his activity in control of predatory ani-mals. His close work with the Texas Predatory Animal Control Association has materially helped to make it pos-sible for the sheep and goat industry to attain the success it has in West Texas. We extend to him our sincere gratitude and wish for him a long and happy retirement.

7. **Condolences** — It is with deep regret and a feeling of great personal loss that we record the passing of an-other of our long-time members and directors, Fritz Stieler of Comfort. Mr. Stieler was of a family long as-sociated with the wool and mohair industry in Texas and whose imme-diate family takes a large and respon-sible part in the affairs of this Associa-tion. We express to the family our deepest sympathies.

8. **Appreciation**—We express our very sincere appreciation to Paul Forcheimer of the Alpine Chamber of Commerce, to the members of the Highland Sheep and Goat Raisers As-sociation and to Dr. Bryan Wilden-thal, President, Sul Ross State College, for their hospitality and great help in the arrangements for this quarterly meeting; to the Continental Casualty Company, represented by Mark Doody and Sid Murray, for the delightful cocktail party, and to the Treanor Equipment Company, Abilene and Odessa, for the delicious and greatly enjoyed barbecue.

Mr. Mayer also moved that a reso-lution from the Wool Committee in-structing the office staff to have printed a wool and mohair slogan to be changed to read "Texans — Wear Wool and Mohair — Nothing Com-pares." It was seconded and unani-mously carried.

First Vice President Lance Sears, Chairman, Livestock Committee, re-ported a lengthy meeting in which the animal health situation was dis-cussed by Dr. Noyes and that their resolutions had already been passed.

Dr. Noyes was then introduced and spoke on the activities of the Livestock Sanitary Commission. He told of the work being done to control and elim-inate sheep scabies by continuous in-spection on ranges and concentration points and on the main highways com-ing into the state from the East and North. He stated that the last out-break was in Medina and Bandera Counties and was caused by sheep brought in from Tennessee. He fur-ther stated that sheep would no longer be accepted from Tennessee unless they were to be dipped at destination. He reported on the brucellosis cam-paign now under way in Presidio, Brewster and Jeff Davis Counties. He told of the financial situation within the Commission and his proposed bud-get had had to be even further re-

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Oct. 9—Hill Country Hereford All Bull Sale.
- Oct. 4-19—Pan-American Livestock Exposition and State Fair, Dallas.
- Oct. 16-17—Commercial Cattle Sale, Fort Worth, sponsored by Texas Hereford Association and Texas Angus Association.
- Oct. 21 — American Angora Goat Breeders Association annual meeting, Rocksprings.
- Oct. 30—Texas Agricultural Agents Association and Texas County Home Demonstration Agents As-sociation annual banquet, Sbsa Hall, College Station, Texas.
- Nov. 29—Debouillet Sheep Breeders Association Annual Meeting, Roswell, New Mexico.
- Dec. 4—Eighth Annual Sale Capitol Area Hereford Association, Austin.
- Dec. 8-9-10—Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association Convention, Dallas.

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- Jan. 5-10—Sand Hills Hereford and Quarter Horse Show and Sale, Odessa.
- Jan. 8—Concho Hereford Association Sale.
- Jan. 30 - Feb. 8—Southwestern Ex-position and Fat Stock Show, Fort Worth.
- Feb. 9-15—Southwestern Livestock Show, El Paso.
- Feb. 13-22—San Antonio Livestock Exposition and Rodeo.
- Feb. 25 to March 8—Houston Fat Stock Show.
- March 11-15—San Angelo Fat Stock Show.

RANCHMEN AT THE BARBECUE IN KOKERNOT PARK, ALPINE

IN THE BIG MIDDLE

Clayton Puckett of Ft. Stockton found himself in an all-alone spot at the park gathering. Here's Mrs. Gay Howard, Marfa; Mrs. Hood Mendel and Mrs. Marsh Lea, Ft. Stockton; Mrs. Dick Prassel, San Antonio; Clayton Puckett; Mrs. Strick Harvick, Ozona, and Mrs. Maud Saenger, Ft. Stockton.

ENJOYABLE

Here is a group enjoying the barbecue in Kokernot Park. From left to right: Jerry Puckett, Ft. Stockton; Mark Doody, Denver, Colorado, official of the Continental Casualty Company; John-nye Dooley of Uvalde (in her first Association meeting) with her father, John, and sister, Dorothy, and Mrs. Buster Dooley and Mrs. John Dooley.

AT THE PITS

On the left stands Lino Cano of Alpine, who was in charge of the meat preparation and cooking of the barbecue for the visiting ranch people. The Treanor Equipment Company of Abilene, Odessa and Pecos, furnished the barbecue, which the ranch people thoroughly enjoyed. Next on left is Dr. Bryan Wildenthal, President of Sul Ross College, at which the business meetings were held; Joe Clark, Alpine, President of the Highland Sheep and Goat Raisers Association; Bob Foos, Pecos, Treanor representative; Forest Weston, Alpine ranchman and one of the hard workers in the barbecue preparation, as was ranchman George Mills. T. A. Kincaid, President, and Ernest Williams, Secretary, are Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association officials on right. Ranchman in background is Clay Espy of Ft. Davis, who did a lot of work along with many others.





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Ranchman Mayer Makes Strong Bid In Governor Race

EDWIN S. MAYER, Sutton County ranchman and a past president of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association, has launched his drive as Republican candidate for governor.

No token candidate, Mr. Mayer plans a strong campaign to claim the gubernatorial seat from incumbent Price Daniel in the November general election.

A broad plank in Mr. Mayer's platform strikes at the state's one-party system. "The time has come for those who believe in the two-party system to come forward and offer the people of Texas relief from a one-party monopoly," he said recently.

Mr. Mayer is by no means a newcomer to ranching affairs. For 35 years he has been in the business of raising cattle, sheep and goats on his ranch west of Sonora.

He has been a director of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association 30 years and was its president in 1940. From 1934 to 1936, he was vice president of the National Wool Growers Association and is now a member of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association and the American National Cattlemen's Association.

The last three years he also has been a member of the board of directors of the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show of Fort Worth. In addition, Mr. Mayer is a member of the board of directors and the executive committee of the Wool Bureau of New York City, an international wool promotional organization. He served as chairman of the Wool Bureau board during the 1957-58 year.

The 62-year-old ranchman and his wife, the former Minnie Hirsh of Marshall, have four sons and a daughter, and seven grandchildren. With the exception of the youngest son, who is in the Navy, all the children and Mr. and Mrs. Mayer are in the livestock business.

Mr. Mayer was born in San Antonio, August 1, 1896. His father was the late Sol Mayer, widely known in Texas cattle and sheep circles.

The gubernatorial candidate is a veteran of both World War I and II and has been a member of the American Legion since its organization in 1919.

Away from business, Mr. Mayer takes an active interest in Boy Scout work, is a member of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, in San Angelo, is a 32nd degree Mason and is a member of the San Angelo Country Club.

Mr. Mayer has always been a Republican and has been active in GOP affairs more than 20 years. He has been presidential elector three times, once for the late Wendell Willkie and twice for President Eisenhower.

"I promise voters of Texas an honest, efficient, economical administration and will show them how our state can prosper under a genuine two-party system," he declared in announcing his candidacy.

The Dope Sheet

Comments, ideas and notes from the editor's desk. Take them or leave them.

WEATHER PREDICTION

Statement which was written August 15 that heavy rains were anticipated this fall as a result of Gulf Coast hurricanes has stood up well so far. What happened to those fellows who predicted and mapped below normal rainfall for the Southwest?

CATTLE PRICES

Lots of cattle, especially fed stuff, still to be sold, but two things are not likely to happen—one, price of cattle to go up; two, price of beefsteak to go down.

LAMB PRICES

Steady to strong. Lots of competition from lots of angles, especially for stockers. Never were lightweights more in demand for feeders or harder to find. Feeders still remember the discounts on heavyweight lambs this past spring and they didn't like it a bit, nor did the growers who were left with some of the early contracted lambs on their hands after the buyers looked, weighed, figured and fled. There will be money made in light feeder lambs if the feeder has them or can get them.

GRAIN

A trip through the Plains area of Texas during grain harvest this year was nothing less than astounding. It is impossible to comprehend just how much combine milo and other grain was grown on those flat lands until you see it in the fields or around the glutted shipping centers. Where it is going, what it is to be used for and who is buying it are some pressing questions at this writing and the taxpayer is quite interested, too.

The livestock producer could do

some figuring also. What will it cost to feed this grain the next few months and will the feeding make money?

It is a shame that the Plains area does not have the feedlots and packing facilities the enormous grain production justifies.

AUTOMOBILES

Ranchmen, especially those who have to travel over ranch roads frequently in their business, have reason to complain about the squatty trend in the present automobile styles. One owner, voicing the consensus of hundreds of others, declared the cars were all alike—"lemons." Expressions like "You can't get off the pavement without tearing up the transmission," and "My car wouldn't clear a baseball without high-centering," are common.

Most cars will run if one keeps them on the pavement and can afford the gas bill. A large car owner declared recently that he was very pleased with the gas performance of his monstrously large buggy. "Had the darn thing in the dealer's garage four times, and this last try got some results. I'm getting seven miles per gallon of gas instead of four."

This peeved person offered to sell his giant piece of transportation back to the dealer at \$1,000 discount at less than 1,000 miles, but he couldn't get the job done.

Other gripes frequently heard from the ranch people are the costs of having the simplest mechanical or fender dent repair jobs done to their cars. "It cost \$40 or more just to replace the spark plugs." "Had to remove the air conditioner to repair a leak in the heater radiator." "Went to four garages to have the air vents closed, and none of the mechanics could figure out how to do it." "Push button operation is too much for average mechanics—they just don't know what to do, but few of them will admit it." "Why in the hell can't we buy transportation instead of an animated juke box?" And, there are scores of similar complaints.

More and more ranchmen are putting their money in standard transmission cars, when available, saving

up to \$300. Some go even farther and save about that much by getting the six-cylinder models rather than the eights. The sixes will get up and go on standard gas. They give better mileage, are easier and less expensive to repair, and have comparably higher resale value.

The standard transmission makes the automobile a better vehicle over ranch roads, easier to handle over difficult driving situations, and it is less likely to leave the owner sitting out miles from a competent mechanic when some little button or gadget fails to function. These are facts.

This is a fact, also. Generally speaking, the stripped down economy series of the various makes are best buys. Forget the chrome, gadgets, and

unnecessary horsepower if you want the best efficiency and lowest cost in transportation. And it might be a wise idea to keep that good old car you have for a while longer.

Of course, if cost is no object, and you want the ultra, ultra, to get ahead of Brother Jones, okay, but try to buy your next automotive monstrosity with a built-in mechanic. He'll come in handy, you can bet!

Trend away from synthetics is indicated in a recent poll of the male market by the USDA in which it was found that 90% of the men prefer cotton over synthetics. Wool, like cotton, has taken the brunt of misleading advertising of synthetics manufacture. (Continued on page 12)

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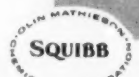


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The Cattle Situation

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SOME wonderful September rains over West Texas jumped stocker cattle prices up to their highest levels in many years. Stockers and feeders had shown a sign of weakness back in August, when a mid-summer dry spell had ranchmen worrying over possibility of the drouth's return. But this weakness was disappearing before September started, and the good rains then buried it beneath a strong wave of optimism.

Actually, most of the calf strings of any size had been under contract for months. About all that was left were small bunches, many of them farm cattle. To satisfy a brisk demand for lightweight cattle, several West Texas dealers like Lee Perkins of Valera were shipping in Southern calves by the truckload.

Some light calves of the plain type were selling at auctions here for unheard-of prices. The buyers came from many places. Around San Angelo, many ranchmen expected a green winter with plenty of range feed and wanted some light non-breeding cattle to keep through the winter months and resell next spring. Oatfield prospects were high, with volunteer grain as well as sowed oats coming up green and pretty all over the farm country. And from farther north, wheatfield men were visiting sales here, on the lookout for wheat cattle.

They were taking calves where they could get them, then yearlings, then even thin cows and bulls.

All this was putting a pinch on the packers and forcing some increase in fat cattle prices on Texas markets. Country buyers were taking cattle that only the packers would buy a month or two ago. Packers were reported to be low on stocks of beef.

Here is how local auction prices looked near the end of September:

Choice slaughter calves and yearlings, \$25 to \$27 cwt., medium \$22 to \$24, common \$18 to \$21; fat cows, \$19 to \$21; canners and cutters \$15 to \$18; slaughter bulls, \$21 to \$23; stocker steer calves, \$30 to \$35; stocker heifer calves, \$28 to \$32; stocker steer yearlings, \$25 to \$28; stocker heifer yearlings, \$20 to \$24; cows and calves, \$175 to \$265 per pair.

Although in some areas contracted calves weren't quite so heavy as ranchmen thought they would be, they were still heavier than the buyers really wanted. Calf buyers were grumbling over weights of calves, just as their counterparts complained about heavy lambs. There was even a little talk that perhaps ranchmen were breeding their cattle too large. This was usually discounted by ranchmen, though. They said this was just one of those unusual years when ranchmen and feeders were unavoidably at cross purposes. Feeders had made the biggest feed crop in many years, and feed was cheap. For that reason, they wanted calves to be as light as possible so

they could use up a maximum amount of that feed for a cheap gain. In another year, when feed crops are short and feed prices high, ranchmen said, feeders will want calves heavy so it will take a minimum of feed to get the calf to market.

October and November will see the delivery of the majority of West Texas contracted calves. Early deliveries went in August and September. During the dry years when these calves were a liability to the ranchman, most of the calves were shipped early. Late deliveries were small. This year, ranchmen have been holding back the larger percentage for the late delivery dates to get all the advantage they can from good pastures.

This development hasn't met with complete buyer enthusiasm, either.

Lots of Heavy Calves

One thing in the Texas cowman's favor—heavy calves are the rule all over the Western United States. Feeders are unable to go to some other section to get light calves, thus leaving the Texan out. Moreover, market observers say that most cattle in the entire West are under contract. They expect a much smaller than normal run of feeder cattle and calves through terminal markets this fall. Although reluctant to pay the prices, feeders have recognized the scarcity and have been going to the ranges to get the cattle rather than wait for them to show up at the market.

They've just about given up hope of getting feeder cattle any cheaper. Market forecasters have been telling Midwesterners they will gain little or nothing by waiting until November to buy. They see little chance that prices will go down. They have told feeders to expect to pay \$6 to \$8 cwt. more on calves than they did last fall, and \$4 to \$5 cwt. more on yearlings.

One thing in the feeder's favor: They see corn prices about as cheap in 1959 as this year, mostly around \$1.10 to \$1.20. They say the feeder can still make a profit, although a slim one, by careful management.

The Feeders' Comment

Typical of feeder comment, was

JUDGES NAMED FOR LIVESTOCK EXPOSITION

FRED EARWOOD, Sonora, will judge Angora goats, October 4 at 9:00 A.M. at the Pan-American Livestock Exposition at Dallas.

Ivan Watson, State College, New Mexico, is to judge Delaine-Merino sheep at the Pan-American, October 6 at Dallas. He will also judge Rambouillets on October 7.

A. J. Dyer, Columbia, Missouri, will judge the Down breeds, Hampshire, Southdown, Shropshire, and Suffolk, on October 8 and 9 at the Pan-American Show in Dallas.

that made in San Angelo by two Kansas City stockmen, M. J. Flynn and Ray Muckey, here to receive calves on contract.

They said high feeder cattle prices are putting them in such a squeeze that they can expect no more than market price on their grain crop even though they feed it to cattle. Normally they expect their grain to be worth more when fed than when sold on the open market.

"We'll only be swapping dollars," said Flynn.

"Or losing dollars," commented Muckey.

The pair had about 1,800 West Texas calves under contract and were able to get only about 700 of them on early delivery. The rest will come late—and heavy.

They find that they are getting about twice as many steer calves this year as heifers. Normally they expect to get about 50-50. This, to them, indicates a big holdback of heifer calves to rebuild drouth-depleted herds.

Flynn and Muckey have surveyed the situation not only in Texas but also over the West and Northwest. They found about 90 percent of the good calves under contract. Some of them had been resold two or three times already, each time at a small profit.

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Brucellosis-Free Counties

Cowmen in the highland country of West Texas are trying to have Brewster, Jeff Davis and Presidio Counties declared free of brucellosis so they will have a clean record in the states that customarily buy their feeder cattle.

To this end, they have been rounding up entire herds and having them tested by the Livestock Sanitary Commission of Texas, which sent out six veterinarians and a laboratory on wheels. It's on a voluntary basis but has had overwhelming support by ranchmen within the three counties, whose combined land area is only slightly less than the state of Maryland.

A Brewster County veterinarian has said that in all his years he has never found a range cow in that area to have brucellosis.

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Trouble in New Mexico

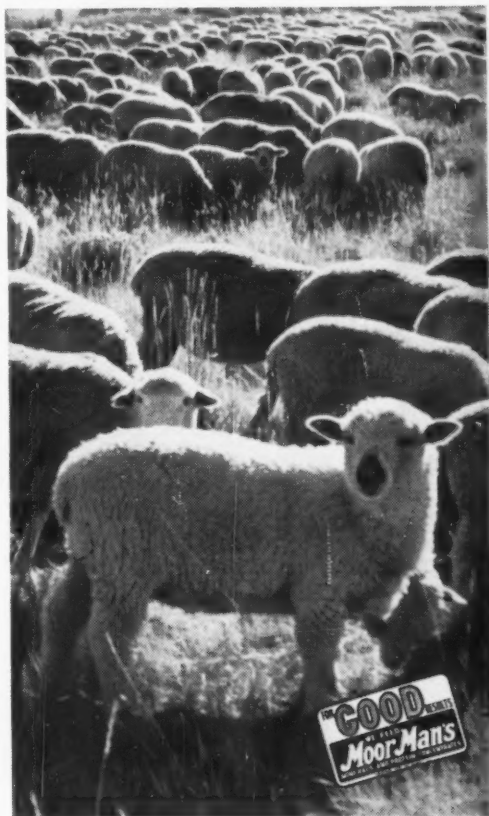
New Mexico ranchmen are having trouble with the State Highway Department about cattle crossings under new four-lane highways. To prove that cattle would indeed move through narrow drainage structures built beneath the highways, thus solving the problem of movement from one pasture to another, the state put on a demonstration. Five hundred cattle were moved through an underpass.

But the New Mexico Cattle Growers Association protested that the test was not cricket. They said the state hired 10 of New Mexico's best cowboys, built new fence between the lanes to keep cattle from straying onto the highway, and moved 14 truckloads of sand into the underpass to cover the blacktop which would have scared the cattle.

Cowmen say the state might be able to afford that each time it wanted to move cattle, but the average ranchman cannot.



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ers. Wool also is gaining ground lost to the impact of the lavishly financed advertising program of synthetics.

The consumer is finding out that "better than wool," "wool-like," and similar claims of the man-made fibers are just not true.

The trend to larger farms and ranches has affected improvement values on property for sale. Land with scant improvement is selling in the same range as well improved places where such land is being absorbed with another operation.

Some farms but few ranches are being sold today on the basis of what the land will produce per dollar invested. Much trading is being done on the basis of speculation and inflationary causes.

The Federal Trade Commission finally has cautioned the manufacturers of man-made fibers—synthetics—against such deceptive terms as "Woody," "Worsted," "Tweed," "Cashmora" and other terms intended to deceive the consumer in advertising.

This is a believe it or not item but a major research organization declares the automobile owner will be better off in buying rayon tires than the expensive nylon and wire mesh type tires, service-wise as well as dollar-wise.

CATS AND CATS

"I THOUGHT cats, just housecats, were going to break me," declared a Crockett County ranchman recently. "I wasn't thinking about quail or anything, but just that there seemed to be too many cats around the house, barns, pens, and pasture. So I offered a Mexican worker 25c per cat—and gave him my 20-gauge shotgun and two boxes of shells. I told him to get started. Don't know if he ran out of shells first or the gun broke first, but that Mexican collected for 47 cats. He says that when the gun is fixed he'll get maybe a dozen more. Guess I had lots of cats!"

Roy Martin of San Angelo recently leased 5,000 acres of rangeland from Mrs. Olivia Bevans McCutcheon of Fort McKavett.

CHANGE LAMBING HABITS?

IT WAS reported at a recent meeting of the American Veterinary Association that a hormone-like substance in plants may be able to extend the spring lambing season. This could reduce the variation in supply and demand at livestock markets which is partly responsible for the ups and downs in the store prices of lambs.

Ewes grazing on bluegrass tend to breed earlier than those eating birds-foot trefoil, while ewes on Ladino clover conceived considerably later than those on the other two crops.

Scientists at the Experiment Station have isolated a highly active female hormone-like substance from Ladino clover which they named "Coumertrol." Apparently, Dr. Sanger said, this material is present at times in large enough quantities that it alters the normal reproductive cycle of ewes fed these plants.

It may be, the veterinarian said, that by consideration of such factors as strain selection of plants, variations in response by various breeds of sheep, pasture rotation, dry or wet season, winter or summer, and the sex of animals, these plants can be used to influence lamb production, rate of weight gain and growth at the sheep raisers' will.

ROCKING CHAIR RANCH SOLD TO WHITEHEAD BROTHERS

THE FAMOUS Rocking Chair Ranch of 19,396 acres lying in Tom Green and Schleicher Counties has been sold to Gene Whitehead of Abilene and C. L. Whitehead of Dallas. It is reported that the selling price was \$35 per acre—approximately \$700,000.

Blair M. Boyd of Hillsboro, Ohio, was the owner of the land since the turn of the century, having bought it in separate tracts during the years 1903 to 1905, paying \$1.00 to \$1.50 per acre for some of the tracts. Boyd operated the ranch until 1908 and has leased it since. Edgar Wilkinson, San Angelo, is the present lessee, having operated the ranch during the past 21 years.

Gene and C. L. Whitehead own the Merchant's Fast Motor Lines of Abilene. Gene Whitehead is president of the partnership. He has a herd of Hereford cattle and owns ranches near Tankersley and between Eden and Menard.

Boots Kothmann of Uvalde has leased the 6,000-acre Andy Kerr ranch.

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By JAY RICHTER

FULL IMPACT of the new farm law cannot yet be accurately calculated by anyone, but just about all hands in Washington agree on these points:

First, that Mr. Benson's victory for lower supports under some commodities will mean strong pressures next year to drop other props. The Secretary already has said he will seek lower floors for dairy and wheat.

Second, the new law will mean lower supports next year for producers of the secondary feed grains — oats, barley, rye, and grain sorghums — providing corn producers vote in favor of the new corn-feed grain program for 1959.

Third, corn growers who are outside the commercial area, or who haven't been in compliance in past years, will get higher support in '59 — again providing the new program is approved as expected.

Fourth, that there is a basic contradiction in the terms of the new law. While it lowers some support, presumably to help discourage further surpluses, it also sets the stage for still greater production. The law is written so as to stimulate cotton production, and maintain rice plantings. The corn-feed program, officials and non-government farm leaders agree,

could bring a tremendous corn crop next year . . . by taking off all controls and guaranteeing all growers about \$1.15 per bushel.

The fact that the new law does nothing about the basic problem of overproduction — indeed appears to encourage further accumulation of surpluses — underlines the importance of further congressional action on the farm front early next year.

Most farm leaders here believe that producers will vote "Yes" on the new corn-feed program provided in the new farm law.

Referendum on the proposition must be held on or before December 15. A simple majority of those voting will decide the issue. The present program will remain in effect unless the new one is approved.

The new program would take effect in 1959. Eligible to vote are producers who have grown corn in commercial counties during 1958. The new program —

(1) Provides for support of corn at 90% of the most recent three-year average market price or 65% of parity, whichever is higher. Next year that would mean about \$1.15, average.

(2) Abolishes allotments and the present distinctions between commercial and non-commercial area. All corn would be treated alike.

(3) Support would be required for the other feed grains — barley, grain sorghums, oats, and rye — at fair relationship to corn.

The floor under secondary feed grains would be determined by the Agriculture Secretary — his decision being based on feed equivalent value, plus other considerations such as production and supply.

The proposed new corn-feed grain program requires support of the secondary grains, but does not specifically state at what level. The Secretary will decide that.

Feed grains other than corn, now supported at 70%, can be expected to drop to approximately 60% in '59 — again assuming commercial corn producers approve the new program.

Barley support would drop from the present level of 93c to about 81c per bushel; grain sorghums from \$1.83 per hundredweight to about \$1.60; oats from 62c per bushel to about 53c; and rye from \$1.10 to about 96c per bushel.

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Analyzing Livestock And Meat Situation

By SHEEP AND GOAT RAISER CHICAGO BUREAU

WHILE MUCH of the late summer and early fall interest in the Corn Belt has been focused on cattle and hog markets, some of it has been switched to the lamb feeding industry where marketings of fat lambs are progressing without running into any drastic price changes and where interest in replacement lambs has improved noticeably of late.

Because the movement of feeder lambs into the Corn Belt states during the first half of 1958 lagged behind that of the same time a year ago, there was concern in some quarters as to whether Corn Belt interest in lambs would increase noticeably during the second half of the year. During the first six months of this year a total of 769,951 feeding lambs moved into the nine Corn Belt states, compared with 851,259 head in the same six-months period last year.

However, some of this concern disappeared recently as buying of replacement lambs increased and it now appears that Corn Belt lamb finishers are moving into available numbers for their next feeding venture. With the exception of a few scattered areas where some slowness prevails because of diminishing numbers or stronger asking prices, activity in replacement lambs moved along in September at a fairly good pace.

With the reported four percent increase in the 1958 lamb crop, there should be more lambs available this fall which would result in increased lamb finishing this winter. How much of an increase will be made is not known and could eventually prove insignificant since more ewe lambs will be held back for breeding purposes. However, it must be stated that the lamb market is affected more by small changes than either cattle or hogs since the demand for the former is generally smaller than for the other two.

There is a belief in some quarters that feeding lambs will be a good gamble this year, particularly if they are purchased at light weights early enough to gain the advantage of obtaining cheap gains on pastures or in corn fields. There is no question that feeding lambs will be cheaper than feeding cattle.

It appears that the above mentioned

beliefs might have had something to do with the sudden increased activity in the replacement market. Buying increased suddenly in July and not only was the July movement into the nine Corn Belt states heavier than months earlier in the year, but the July total showed a 16 percent increase over July a year ago. During

July a total of 265,471 replacement lambs were purchased, compared with 222,214 head in the same month a year ago.

The August figures were not available at this writing, but they, too, were expected to be above the same months last year when 341,000 head moved into the nine-state area.

Recent reports indicate that several thousand head of good and choice wether lambs went for replacements from \$21 to \$22.75, mostly \$21 to \$22. At the same time, sales of ewe lambs were reported from \$23 to \$27. However, the activity in the market for ewes was limited to some extent by the scarcity of available flocks and the strong position taken by some lamb producers in the case of ewes.

While the lamb feeding industry

MARTIN IS TOP BUYER IN THE PAULEY-LAIDLAW SALE

SIXTY-THREE Rambouillet rams from the Sylvan Pauley flock of Deer Lodge, Montana, and 111 Suffolk ram lambs from Fred Laidlaw of Muldoon, Idaho, were sold by Mid-West Feed Yards of San Angelo, August 19. The Rambouillets averaged \$65 per head and the Suffolks, \$64 per head.

Ten single Suffolk rams sold for an average of \$90.50 per head and eight individual Rambouillets for \$78 per head. The rest of the sheep were sold in pens of five.

Eighty Rambouillets remained unsold as bids failed to reach a \$60 floor set midway in the sale. However, the entire offering of Suffolks was sold.

The biggest Rambouillet buyer was Olan Wilson of Gouldbusk, who paid \$1,462.50 for 25 head.

W. H. Martin of Martin Feed Yard in San Angelo bought 54 Suffolks for a total of \$3,240, making him the largest buyer of the sale.

Robert and Donald Allison of Marfa, sons of William Allison, paid the

largest individual prices for Suffolk rams. They paid \$150, \$140, and \$105 for three top blackfaces.

Highest individual price for a Rambouillet was \$110 paid by Pierce Hoggett of Junction. Mr. Hoggett also paid \$105 per head for a pen of five. L. W. Wittenburg of Eden paid \$100 for a single Rambouillet.

Other buyers included: A. M. Slaton of Brackettville who paid \$912.50 for 13 Rambouillet rams. Jim Daniel of Big Lake paid \$425 for six individual Suffolks. Walton Herral of Rankin paid \$637.50 for two Rambouillets and eight Suffolks. Cecil C. Mitchell of Sanderson paid \$630 for ten Suffolks.

Other Rambouillet buyers were Bill and Lee Reed of Sterling City, W. E. Burns of Robert Lee, and Jess Koy of Eldorado.

Other Suffolk buyers were H. A. Chapple of Sterling City, Charles Stegall of Sanderson, Paul Carroll of Gail, and Charlie Boy Davidson of Ozona.

Odus Wittenburg, Eden, was auctioneer.



AT THE PAULEY-LAIDLAW SALE

Four ranchmen are shown watching the sale of Rambouillets and Suffolks at the Pauley-Laidlaw sale held at San Angelo. Left to right: Jack Allison, San Angelo; Adolf Stieler, Comfort; Sylvan Pauley, Deer Lodge, Montana; and Pierce Hoggett of Junction, who bought the top ram.

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is moving into the midst of its fall buying program, the fat lamb market locally moved along with only minor price changes. The only major factor in the lamb market of late has been a series of non-kosher-slaughtering holidays that began at the middle of September and continued into the fore part of October. These holidays, as in other years, did curtail demand for lambs at times, but since it was a temporary situation, it did not cause too much concern.

Because the kosher holidays did restrict the demand at times, the top for prime lambs dropped back slightly from the \$25.50 mark paid earlier in September. However, the bulk of the good to prime fed lambs moved to the lamb processors within a range of \$22.50 to \$24.50.

Meanwhile, not enough yearlings arrived from day to day to put prices to a real test, but these generally were quoted down from the \$21 mark. Aged ewes continued to sell up to \$8, but the bulk of the slaughter ewes cleared from \$5 to \$7.

Stocker and feeder buying went into full swing at the outset of September as Corn Belt cattle feeders became more aggressive. Already a large number of replacement cattle have been tied up by Corn Belt interests, mainly the result of very extensive contracting in recent months. This, plus the fact that growers are able to hold the upper hand because of an abundance of feed, has tended to strengthen stocker and feeder prices recently.

Cattle feeders continued to be aggressive buyers, despite the fact that replacement costs are the highest since 1951 for this time of the year. Another bearish factor which fails to dampen fall buying and contracting of thin cattle is the recent unfavorable spread which continued to become smaller between current fat cattle prices and recent replacement costs.

Slightly more than \$1 was all the spread there was for August between the average price of fed steers at Chicago and the average August price of stockers and feeders at the 10 major market centers. This was the first time since 1951 that the range between the two August prices was less than \$5 and the first time in several years that the two prices were so close to one another for an August month.

The belief that existed earlier in

some quarters that replacement values would decline this fall has all but vanished completely. It is now apparent to most cattle feeders that there is little likelihood of this happening. In fact, some finishers have expressed some concern recently as to the possibility of being able to obtain the type of replacement cattle they need.

Because of the continued summer decline in fat cattle, buying of replacement steers over 800 pounds slowed noticeably in July and August. However, this was changed suddenly as fat cattle prices reversed in August and strengthened somewhat. September buying found all classes and weights of stockers and feeders moving readily.

Following one of the sharpest August price declines on record in hogs, Corn Belt hog producers found the picture somewhat brighter during September as hog marketings dropped off, compared with the heavy movement in August, and prices subsequently moved up from the August lows.

Another factor that gave hog men a lift is the belief that the worst is already over for hogs this fall. Because the August decline was so sharp, some are of the opinion that hog prices this fall and winter will not drop much below the low spot of August. At the same time, just as was the case in September, hogs were expected to sell above the recent lows at times during the coming months. Those expressing this belief point out that a large number of spring pigs that ordinarily would have come later at heavier weights were marketed in August at lighter weights. This should prevent any excessive numbers of hogs later in the year, they claim.

Although the price spread between butchers and sows had a tendency to widen in face of smaller receipts of sows, the range of butcher prices became smaller with a spread of about 25c taking the bulk of the hogs weighing 190 to 300 pounds. Top hogs moved up to the \$21 mark after selling as low as \$20 in August, but most hogs in the above weight range sold in September between 50c and 75c below the top figure.

According to information received from Miss Clancy Baldrige, the B. L. Trimble Ranch, San Angelo, is going out of the sheep business. The Trimble Ranch has raised registered Rambouillet sheep for many years.

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Rambouillet Ramblings

By MRS. A. D. HARVEY

WASHINGTON

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REGISTERED Rambouillet breeders who have recently become active members of the American Rambouillet Sheep Breeders Association include Sherrill Dannheim, Eldorado, Texas; Jerry Johnson, Hico, Texas; Jacob A. Dillinger, Moorcroft, Wyoming; Charles West, Eldorado, Texas, and B. B. Ingham, III, Ozona, Texas.

Guy Powell, Kerrville, Texas, has recently sold two registered rams and nine registered ewes to G. K. Mitchell, Sanderson, and ten registered ewes to Lellie Mitchell, Sanderson, Texas.

C. P. Harding, Sigel, Illinois, has sold one ram to Vernon R. Miller, Toledo, Illinois, and one ram and one ewe to Mildred G. Bunker, Tenta-pulis, Illinois.

Dallas Reiger, Harper, Texas, has purchased eight ewes from H. D. Bode, Harper, Texas, and three ewes from F. M. Bierschwale, Segovia, Texas.

Ben Reading and Reading Bros., Kerrville, have sold two rams to Hayden G. Haby, Rocksprings, Texas.

Paul E. Spruill, Leander, Texas, has recently purchased two ewes from Hilmer F. and Rennie Guenther, New Braunfels, Texas.

Henry Streib, Rio Frio, Texas, has purchased twenty ewes from Mrs. Joan W. Thrasher, Utopia, Texas.

The "Register of Merit" Committee met August 30, 1958, in the office of the Association. It has been definitely decided that a project, similar to the one at Ranch Experiment Station, Sonora, will be set up in San Angelo. Those present at the meeting were Miles Pierce, Chairman, Alpine, Texas; V. G. Young, Texas A. & M.; Dr. W. T. Hardy, Experiment Station, Sonora, Texas; Jim Gray, San Angelo, Texas; Fred Campbell, Experiment Station, Sonora, Texas; Clyde Thate, Burkett, Texas; Leo Richardson, Iraan, Texas; Pat Rose, Jr., Del Rio, Texas; Edwin Mayer, Barnhart, Texas; Dr. Maurice Shelton, McGregor, Texas; Dr. O. D. Butler, Texas A. & M., and Robert Huckabee, Ft. Stockton, Texas.

A. W. Keys, Eldorado, Texas, has sold one ram to S. W. Dannheim, Eldorado, Texas, and two rams to Gene Simon, Junction, Texas.

Leo Richardson, Iraan, Texas, sold a registered ram to Bill Royal, Menard, Texas.

Bob Brown, Harper, Texas, sold eight ewes to Don Harris, Wimberley, Texas.

product feeds, and hay. Large crops this year augmented by record carry-overs from former year's production are pushing supplies per animal unit to record levels.

Number of feed consuming units may be five percent higher in the coming year. Still, there will be about 50 percent more feed concentrates per animal unit than they could be expected to consume. Hay supplies will provide about one-fifth more than roughage-consuming units would consume.

Upshot is that you can look for a plentiful supply of cheaper feed for at least two or three years to come.

Already the pressures of the mountainous supply are being felt. There is an upswing in broiler production. Egg production is rising. Hogs for marketing next spring may show an increase of 14 percent over last year.

For the immediate future, price prospects look pretty good.

Hog prices have taken a little earlier-than-normal seasonal dip but prices are still expected to stay near those of last year.

Slaughter cattle prices have strengthened some recently and should remain fairly steady.

Lambs have been bringing prices about the same as last year and this should continue on into the fall.

Milk and butterfat prices have followed support prices down to a little lower level than last year but could show some seasonal increase this fall.

The build-up in cattle and sheep will probably continue through next year, holding down numbers moving to slaughter. Cattle numbers on farms next January 1 figure to be up two to three million head and sheep numbers are also due to be up noticeably.

A combination of factors—relatively high livestock prices, record supplies of feeds, and good pastures and range—are prompting increases in livestock production. But some expansion is warranted.

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The Problems of Your Estate

By R. D. FOUTS

(Second of a series of articles of importance to the ranchman.)

Income Taxes

1. Is your will drawn to reduce Income Taxes?

This refers to the question of multiple trusts. If there is only one trust for all of the beneficiaries, all of the income is reported by it. On the other hand, if a separate trust is created for each beneficiary, there are then as many taxable entities as the number of trusts, thus substantially reducing the total amount of income tax.

The Obsolete Will

1. Have any changes taken place in your family or business affairs since the date of your last will?
2. Have you acquired property in states other than Texas since the date of your last will?
3. Does your will anticipate its probate in all states in which property is owned, and prepared so as to comply with the laws of such states?

Obsolete wills furnish the best known examples of the tragic consequences of an unplanned estate. The will may be incomplete, or obsolete,

because of changes which have taken place in family or business affairs. Or new laws may have been enacted for the protection and preservation of the estate property the application of which require revision of the will.

Property may have been acquired in states other than in Texas since the will was drafted. The will is incomplete unless it anticipates its probate in those states and is prepared so as to comply with the laws of such states. Many Texas residents own oil and gas leases and royalty interests in Louisiana whose laws present many difficulties. The Texas resident's will may name the trust department of a Texas bank as executor. Louisiana laws prevent the bank from engaging in business in that state even as an executor, to sell the oil interests.

Emergency Cash

1. If you have created trusts in your will, is it so drawn that no part of the principal can ever be used regardless of how inadequate the income may be?

Unless the will gives the trustee a power of invasion, he cannot use the principal. With constant fluctuation in the purchasing power of the dollar,

the omission of this power can cause great hardship. Caution dictates that adequate provision be made for this purpose. It will be agreed that the average testator intends to protect his wife and children rather than provide for heirs yet unborn and the will should so provide.

If the wife is both beneficiary and trustee, however, and it is desired to grant her this privilege, another trustee should be appointed to act alone or jointly with her.

Your Wife's Will

1. Does your wife's will fail to take into consideration that, in the event of her prior death, it may be useless in states other than Texas where property is situated?

As in the case of the husband's will, the wife's will is also incomplete unless it anticipates its probate in states other than in Texas. Her will may direct that her one-half of the community property (without regard to the state wherein it is situated) pass to the children for the purpose of minimizing death taxes in the husband's estate and income taxes while he is alive.

In the state of New Mexico, however, where many Texas residents own community property, the Texas wife does not have the power to dispose of such property by will. If she predeceases her husband, such property passes to the husband regardless of the terms of her will. Likewise, her will will be useless in non-community property states where title to the property is not vested in her.

Texas being a community property state the importance of the wife's estate plan should not be overlooked. There are cases on record where prosperous businesses and valuable ranch properties have suffered forced sale where no other assets were available for taxes when the wife died first.

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Management of The Farm Flock

By JOE H. DIXON

FALL LAMBS FOR AN EARLY MARKET

SOUTHWESTERN flock owners, to a large extent, still breed their ewe flocks to lamb during October, November and December. Fall lambs are still the choice of a lot of sheepmen, and for more than one reason, for the advantages of early lambs are many.

There is probably no better time to sell your lambs on the market than shortly before Easter. Prices are usually high at this time of the year and many times stay high through the spring of the year. Fall lambs are ready for market and usually sold before the hot summer months arrive.

Ewe flocks that are predominant in Rambouillet and Delaine bloodlines (fine wools), can generally be depended upon to produce fall lambs. Fall lambs probably get less attention and need less at lambing time, than do lambs that are dropped during the winter months. There are probably two good reasons for this — the fine wool ewe is well known for her abil-

ity to lamb without too much trouble and the weather during the fall months is more or less ideal for the breeding flock to lamb in the open.

Lambs Should Make Steady Gains

After your lamb crop has arrived it is important to keep them growing fast and gaining weight as rapidly as possible. It is usually quite desirable to keep the ewe flock on green feed, when the lambs are young and still nursing. Good, green feed should help the milk flow of the ewes during this important period and nothing will grow the young lambs any faster than plenty of their mother's milk.

After the fall rains, generally some kind of green pastures can be provided for the ewes and lambs. Later in the fall, small grain pastures (wheat, barley, oats and rye) are fine, when available.

In addition to having your ewes and

lambs on a good pasture, several flock owners have found it profitable to keep extra feed before their lambs in the feedlot.

Creep Feeding For Lambs

Creep feeding lambs is a system used extensively by commercial lamb growers and purebred breeders alike, to put fast gains on the growing lamb crop. Many flock owners have learned by experience that milk-fed lambs, still nursing their mothers, do even better when they have access to creep feeding. It has helped them get the top market price and to get them on the market sooner.

Creep feeding is done by building a pen or feedlot for the lambs, which the ewes and mothers cannot enter. Make the openings between the slats or rollers large enough for the lambs to enter, but small enough to prevent the ewes and grown sheep from entering. That seems to be the general idea in building a lamb creep.

The lamb creep needs to be equipped with a feed rack long enough to accommodate all of the lambs eating at one time if possible. If you have a large number of lambs, perhaps several racks will be necessary. It should be made so both grain and hay may be fed in it.

There are many different mixtures of grain feed used in creeps by different flock owners. These mixtures, usually include oats, barley, maize, corn, wheat brand and sometimes other kinds of protein feeds, such as linseed oil meal or soybeans.

For good results, a good legume hay is perhaps best. Alfalfa, sweet clover or medium clover, are all well liked by growing lambs. If this kind of hay is not available, sometimes you might substitute sweet sudan hay if it is cut young and tender. Sheep seem to be very fond of young, sweet sudan.

SPRAYING GOATS

Spraying goats out of the shearing pen is a practice that is becoming more popular as systemic chemicals for protection against external parasites come on the market. Here Cash Taylor of Sonora is shown spraying Angora goats of Arthur Henderson with a product called Co-Ral.



Some flock owners prefer to feed their hay, ground or chopped, as there is very little waste when fed in this manner.

Keep Records On Your Flock

If you plan to improve your breeding flock from year to year, there is probably no better way than to keep some kind of record on your flock at lambing time. Knowing what kind of lambs each ewe produces, and the amount of wool she shears gives you something to work on when you cull the flock and sort out the undesirable individuals.

There are a few flock owners breeding sheep who know and recognize at a glance each individual in their flock without any visible means of identification. However, the breeders who can do this are few and far between. There are many others in the sheep business who need and prefer some method of keeping up with their flock.

One plan used by many flock owners is to put breeder's ear tags in one ear. The tags are numbered so that each individual in the flock has its private number.

Another plan popular with a lot of sheepmen is to keep your flock back numbered at lambing time. By having your flock both ear-tagged and back numbered it gives you a double check on the flock, if you are keeping any records on lamb and wool production.

Back Number Your Breeding Flock

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It is also the most simple method of keeping a record on your breeding ewes and lamb crop. Some flock owners put the number across the top of the back, while others prefer putting it on the sides of the ewe and her lamb. By back numbering your ewes and giving their lambs the same number, it is an easy matter to watch and notice the best mothers in the flock. You will also be able to keep a record of the ewes that produce twins each year.

Best results by back numbering are generally obtained when aluminum or metal branding markers are used to do the work. These may be secured at most livestock supply houses, together with regular branding paint,

made especially for use in branding sheep.

State Fair of Texas, October 4 - 19

Reports coming from "Sheep Alley" at some of the earlier fairs and exhibitions indicate there will be an unusually strong sheep show in the barn at the Pan-American Exposition, October 4 - 12 (held annually in connection with the State Fair of Texas). The show is located at State Fair Park, close to the heart of Downtown Dallas.

The Pan-American Exposition at
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Poisonous Range Plants

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XVIII. ST. JOHNSWORT AND BUTTONBALL BUSH

THE PLANTS reported in this issue as poisonous usually are of minor importance as far as livestock in Texas are concerned. The fact that they do grow in Texas and are known to be toxic under some conditions warrants their inclusion in Texas range plants poisonous to livestock. In addition to the references listed, information on these and other poisonous plants may be obtained from Muencher, *Poisonous Plants of the United States* and Sperry, et al., *Texas Range Plants Poisonous to Livestock*.

ST. JOHNSWORT

Hypericum perforatum

St. Johnswort, also known as goat weed or klamath weed, is an upright, much-branched perennial herb (Figure 75). The stems are often reddish and woody at the base. The numerous small leaves alternate in pairs up the stem. The clustered flowers are deep yellow with numerous slender stamens.

St. Johnswort is not common in Texas although it has been reported from the eastern portion of the State. It has long been known in the New England and western states. It grows in the Middle West and on the western range areas. St. Johnswort also is reported from Africa and Australia as a disease-causing plant. This is a European species which has been naturalized in the United States.

St. Johnswort is not frequently eaten by grazing animals except when forage is scarce and the plant is present. Sheep apparently relish the plant, cattle seldom take it and goats may graze it in limited amounts. Horses also may be affected.

Photosensitization is the most noticeable symptom of St. Johnswort. White animals or animals with unpigmented areas may develop blisters on the unpigmented parts of the body when exposed to sunlight after eating the plant. Although toxicity from St. Johnswort is not known to occur in Texas, it is of potential danger, especially to sheep on pastures in which it grows.

The toxicity apparently is due to the action of two fluorescent substances, hypericin and hypericum red. A volatile oil also has been reported as a possible poisonous principle.

BUTTONBALL BUSH

Cephalanthus occidentalis

Buttonball bush is a shrub or small

tree with opposite or whorled leaves and small flowers in ball-shaped heads (Figure 76).

Buttonball bush occurs in every section of Texas along streams, in and around springs and ponds and in swampy areas. It is widely distributed

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tracts breeders and visitors each year from all parts of the nation, as well as from every country in Central and South America. It has established the reputation of being the great International show window and market for purebred livestock.

Sheep judging will start Monday, October 6, at 9:00 A.M., with Superintendent J. P. Heath in charge at the ringside. Delaine-Merinos will make their appearance before the judge in the sheep arena on this opening day of the sheep judging. Rambouillets will be judged the following day, October 7, starting at the same time.

On Wednesday, October 8, Hampshire sheep will be shown, starting at 9:00 A.M., to be followed possibly in the afternoon by the Southdowns.

On Thursday, October 9, the last of the medium wool breeds will be lined up before the judge. Starting with the Shropshires at 9:00 A.M., they will be closely followed by the Suffolks, which should prove to be quite a show.

The Junior Lamb Show will be held the following week, and the judging will get under way at 8:30 A.M. on Wednesday, October 15, in the sheep arena. J. B. Payne is the superintendent.

Ray W. Wilson, Manager of the Livestock Department, together with Don C. Clark, Assistant Manager, and W. L. Stangel, the widely known and congenial General Superintendent of Livestock, will be on hand as usual to give visitors and breeders a welcome at the ringside and in the sheep barn.

Sheep judges at this year's show include: Ivan Watson, State College, New Mexico — Delaine-Merinos and Rambouillets; A. J. Dyer, Columbia, Missouri — All Medium Wood Breeds; James A. Gray, San Angelo, Texas — Junior Fat Lamb Show; Fred Earwood, Sonora, Texas — Angora Goats.

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The plant contains glucocides and the leaves are the most toxic part. Since this is a deciduous shrub, little danger of poisoning exists until the leaves come out in the spring. As with many other potentially poisonous plants, buttonball bush is not commonly poisoning unless other forage is scarce.

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Figure 75. St. Johnswort, *Hypericum perforatum*



Figure 76. Buttonball bush, *Cephalanthus occidentalis*

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Texas Mohair In High Fashion

By BILLIE STEVENSON

SAN ANTONIO'S Mayor Kuykendall proclaimed September 7 to 13 Mohair Week in honor of Texas Angora Goat Raisers, and Joske's of Texas saluted the great Mohair industry with a luncheon mohair fashion show at the Menger Hotel on September 9.

The Colonial Room was filled and as the Mohair High Fashion Show started the lobby just outside the dining room began to fill. Joske's showed styles by Paris and New York fashion designers who have headlined mohair in their fall collections. The women loved the silky "souffle" bulk plus the lightweight comfort of the wonderful mohair fabrics. They loved the soft-as-silk feel and the beautiful sheen of the fabric.

Miss Gail Nichols, Miss Mohair, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Nichols, Leakey, duchesses of the royal court, and some of the past Mohair Queens were guests of Joske's at the luncheon. Mayor Kuykendall presented Miss Mohair with a document making her an honorary mayor of La Villita.

The style show was a huge success and following it the ladies rushed over to Joske's to shop for Mohair garments and to see the excellent displays of Mohair that Joske's had in their windows and on the counters throughout the store. They had prize-winning fleeces, trophies, ribbons and high-fashion displayed in the store throughout the entire Mohair Week.

I rushed over to buy a mohair purse and material for a mohair coat. In the



THEY LIKE MOHAIR

This happy group is part of the Rocksprings tables (there were three of them), part of the Uvalde table, and you will see guests from Bandera, San Antonio, Leakey, and other points in Texas. That is Joske's advertising manager, Caroline Shelton, second from the left on the front row and standing on her left is Mrs. Gene Graham, the former Elizabeth Ann Hough, Miss Mohair for 1956-57. Also in the picture you can see Leroy Nichols, Leakey, Miss Mohair's father; Claude Haby, president of the Texas Angora Goat Raisers Association; Howard Hay, Bandera, member of the committee for the promotion of mohair; Jack Richardson, Uvalde, chairman of the committee; and Mr. Hicks of Bandera.



MASONITES ATTEND

Snapped at the Mason table during the style show were: (left to right) Mrs. C. P. Kothmann, Mrs. John L. Buskett, Mrs. John C. Eckert, Mrs. Dan G. Lehmborg, Mrs. L. H. McMillan, Mrs. Roy Schmidt, Mrs. Bill Jordan, and Mrs. C. H. Smith, all of Mason except Mrs. Jordan, who is from Art, Texas.

purse department I found Mrs. Thomas L. Taylor, the lady who registers all the Angora goats in the world, and Mrs. Thrasher, Leakey, also shopping for a mohair purse. The purses were in bright, beautiful shades of blue, green, red, gold and black.

In the millinery department I found another group of ranch ladies trying on mohair hats with sheer delight at the many colors and styles.

Miss Mohair-elect, Phyllis Sweeten, was trying on hats and jackets at the same time, and from two different departments! It was a real scramble with every one trying to buy what they wanted in the mohair in the color they wanted before someone else beat them to it.

After I had purchased my purse I went back to the piece goods for the printed mohair I wanted for my coat and someone had beaten me to it. The printed mohair was all gone.

Mrs. Jack Richardson, Uvalde, had a sort of preview of the mohair garments prior to the show, and was wearing an adorable mohair hat at the luncheon. Mrs. Richardson, Mrs. Howard Hay, Bandera, and Mrs.



MOHAIR HATS

In this group of ladies, delighted with the lovely mohair hats at Joske's, are Mrs. Jess Hankins (the Hankins are famous for the fine Quarter Horses they raise on their ranch at Rocksprings); Mrs. Brooks Sweeten, and another Mrs. Hankins, and two other lovely ladies whom we are unable to identify.



MOHAIR HANDBAGS POPULAR

Here you see one of the mohair-promotingest ladies in the industry, Mrs. Thomas L. Taylor, Rocksprings, trying to talk Joske's sales clerk (right) out of a royal blue mohair bag that she has just sold to Mrs. Sweeten. It was the last blue mohair purse and I believe Mrs. Taylor had to settle for a black one. In the center is Mrs. D. Thrasher, another mohair promoter.

WIRE SPREADERS PROVE THEIR WORTH ON SHEFFIELD RANCH

By CHARLES E. SHANNON, JR.
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NET WIRE spreaders have proved very successful in slowing down runoff water, controlling gulley erosion and spreading excess runoff water on the ranch of Mrs. Bernadine Sheffield, 10 miles south of San Angelo.

Mrs. Sheffield, whose goal is to restore her ranch to a high productive condition, has constructed approximately 3,300 feet of these net wire spreaders. After two years, she feels that the spreaders have more than paid for the cost of construction with the increase of ground cover that they have produced. The spreaders were built with wire and posts that she had around her place. Cost-sharing at nine cents a foot was received from the ACP program for the construction of these spreaders, which helped pay for the labor and time it took to build them.

Claude Haby of Leakey were all accompanied by their husbands to the luncheon and mohair show.

In the sweater department they had the most gorgeous, fluffy, soft-as-silk and light-as-a-feather mohair sweaters you have ever laid eyes on! Simply out of this world! You wonderful goat raisers, to produce this dreamy and beautiful mohair for us ladies! I'll never be the same after wearing one of those glamorous sweaters! Please produce more of that gorgeous stuff!

MISS MOHAIR'S COURT

Joske's of Texas had among their honor guests at the Mohair in High Fashion Style Show Luncheon at the Menger Hotel in San Antonio, September 9, the following members of Miss Mohair's Court. Shown left to right are: Joske's petite advertising manager, Caroline Shelton; Sandra Schmidt, Mason; Jeanine Hicks, Bandera; Irene Young, Uvalde; Miss Mohair Elect, Phyllis Sweeten; Miss Mohair, Gail Nichols, Leakey; Cornelia Leinweber, Rocksprings; Mrs. Gene Graham, the former Elizabeth Ann Hough, Miss Mohair in 1956-57; Allyne Patterson, Leakey; Nancy Hunt, another former Miss Mohair, Sonora; and Joske's vice president, Mr. Dunn.



Mrs. Sheffield signed a district agreement with the Concho Soil Conservation District in July, 1956. After going over the entire place with a technician from the San Angelo Work Unit, she worked out a complete conservation plan. Mrs. Sheffield plans to carry out a part of this conservation plan each year. In beginning, conditions were such that Mrs. Sheffield sold all of her stock and deferred for two years. After restocking, she plans to defer part of her land each year. In 1956 she terraced her cropland, built some net wire spreaders, pitted and seeded to a native grass mixture the rangeland that was being deferred. In 1957 she constructed a diversion terrace to protect her cropland. She put 187 acres cropland in the Soil Bank Program, 117 acres of which she planted to blue panicum for permanent grass, and 70 acres to cane to be used for litter crop.

In 1958 Mrs. Sheffield planted 80 acres of sorghum alnum where she had planted a litter crop the year before, and she deferred 276 acres of rangeland. Late this summer Mrs. Sheffield, her foreman and a technician from the Soil Conservation Service will again go over the ranch to determine what should be done in 1959. This will put her one step farther in restoring her land to its most productive condition.



NET WIRE SPREADERS

The picture above was taken in the fall of 1956 after one small rain had fallen — note the soil erosion and small amount of ground cover. The picture below is the same net wire spreader taken in the summer of 1958. The runoff water has been controlled and used to grow grass for soil protection and grazing. Mrs. Sheffield also deferred her ranch during this period.



Mrs. Sheffield and her foreman, Floyd Hollebeke, are looking at blue panicum planted in 117-acre field in the spring of 1957. This is a part of her coordinated plan with the Concho Soil Conservation District in which she is planting grass on her cropland to leave for several years for soil improvement.

Ivan Watson, State College, New Mexico, has purchased the T. J. Sutherland Ranch of some 11 sections in southeastern Lincoln County. He will operate it in connection with the Roats Ranch nearby.

Mr. Watson has resigned his work with the Extension Department of the New Mexico A. & M. College. He was Extension Animal Husbandman for many years.

O. Sudduth, Eldorado, breeder of Rambouillet sheep, reports that range conditions are excellent and stock doing fine in his part of the country, due to recent rains.

He reports the sale of quite a few registered Rambouillets lately — one ram to J. D. Cowser, Junction; two rams to Ed Ratliff, Bronte, one ram to Damon Evans, Junction, three ewe lambs to the Sears Roebuck boys and several others.

U.S.--The Shorn Lamb

By ROBERT TAYLOR
Washington Exclusive

THERE MAY be some question as to whether we are giving our foreign friends "the shirt off our back." But there's no doubt we are handing over our coat-and-pants, our "woolies," our blankets, and sundry other woolen items that are sorely needed to fend the chill of low-wage, low-tariff imports from the body-politic.

In ten years, under the made-in-Geneva GATT arrangements to distribute American dollars more equitably over the rest of the world, half of our woolen and worsted mills machinery has been halted and removed from idle mills. Fifty percent of the industry's work-force has lost its jobs. Production of woolen and worsted fabrics of all types has been cut 40 percent. Woolen industry profits, that stood at nearly \$83 million in 1948,

disappeared long ago. By 1951 they had shrunk to less than \$33 million and the red-ink figures began in 1952. By 1954 (the last year for which income tax figures are available) losses had reached \$39 million.

Clearly, it is time to call for a change. Wherefor, the various segments of the wool industry—growers, processors, spinners, weavers, knitters, felters and finishers — have joined hands in an organization called "Woolens and Worsteds of America" to enhance public appreciation of American-made wool products.

Naturally the wage differential is the root of the problem.

The best example of what this means is a tabulation of the wage-cost of a yard of rigidly specified 16-ounce Army serge. Allowing three-

quarters of a man-hour per yard, the U. S. labor cost is \$1.20; in Britain, 38 cents; France, 34 cents; Italy, 22 cent, and Japan, 10 cents!

And in this connection it is interesting to note that before World War II, both Japan and Italy were unsuccessful in competing with U. S. mills, wherefore our Government provided modern, efficient machinery and sent technicians to teach them the American know-how! Now, these very countries with their fantastic wage advantage are wiping out what the Congress rules some years ago is a vital defense industry. (While ragged, shivering, frost-bitten soldiers survived Valley Forge and won through to victory, we might not be so lucky again.)

As for the myth that foreign woolens are superior, it is exactly that. Grade standards are international, the same the world over. Our manufacturing skills equal or surpass the foreigners, and the artistry of our designers in textures, colors and patterns leads the world. American-grown, American-made woolens need no favors. But they must, in the national interest, have justice.

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A WOOL grower must receive a premium of seven percent for the matchings he sells and a discount of not more than 11.3 percent from the clean price of his wool for the skirts if table skirting of fleeces is to be practical.

The conclusion was reached by Dr. W. D. McFadden, assistant animal husbandman at the New Mexico A. & M. Experiment Station in Bulletin 422, "The Economic Effect of Skirting Fine Wool Fleeces," which has just been published.

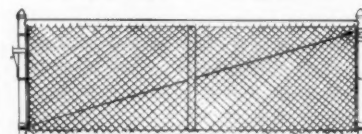
Investigation of the value of table skirting of fleeces was made because the process has long been considered a way to enhance the value of wool to the manufacturer.

Fleeces used in the experiment in 1955 and 1956 were from 72 ewes marked at random from a flock of 1200 fine wool ewes. Fleeces were shorn separately. Three groups of 24 fleeces were made each year and designated as shearer skirted, table skirted, and unskirted.

Skirting is widely practiced in Australia, and the process is credited with a large portion of the premium paid for Australian wools on the world market.

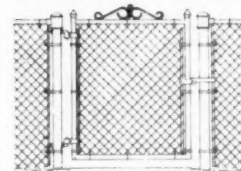
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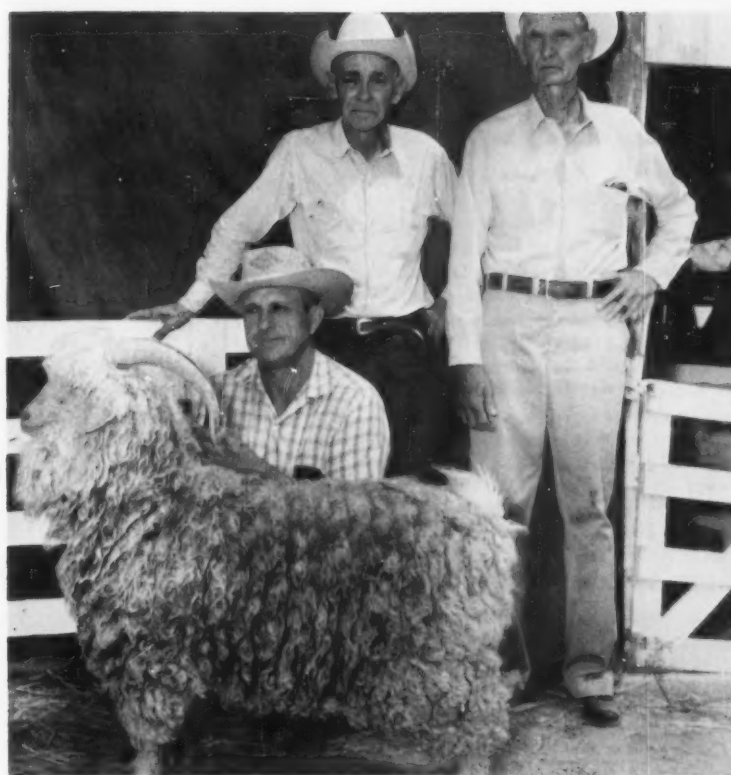
TOPS AT FREDERICKSBURG

Highest selling buck of the TAGRA sale was consigned by Claude Haby of Leakey and sold to W. A. Elms, Authur Davis, and Bob Davis for \$825.00. Standing, left to right: Elms, Authur Davis, Bob Davis. Squatting is Claude Haby, who is newly elected president of the Texas Angora Goat Raisers Association.



TOPS AT MASON

The Mason County Registered Angora Goat Breeders Association held its first annual sale on July 16. Alex Grosse sold the top buck of the sale to Francis Kothmann, also of Mason, for \$155.00. Thirty-seven bucks averaged \$83.00 per head.



TOPS AT JUNCTION

Sales topper at the Hill Country Fair Association Race Meet and Billy Sale was this Angora buck consigned by Will and Ben Allison of Roosevelt. It was bought by W. A. Elms of Goldthwaite and Authur Davis of Sabinal. Squatting, Authur Davis. Standing, W. A. Elms, Will Allison. This was the fifth time an Allison buck has topped the sale in the past twenty years. Price paid was \$590.00. (This buck was sired by a Mrs. O. J. Camp buck which also sired the top buck in 1956 at this sale, which was also an Allison buck.)



CHAMPION AT FREDERICKSBURG

Grand Champion Sales Buck bred by Charles Orr of Rocksprings and sold to Hayden Lawler of Junction for \$525.00. The buck was a yearling. He was acclaimed by Claude Pepper of San Antonio, who judged the "B" type classes, to be a potential outstanding sire.

Miss Wool Selected For 1959

MISS BEVERLY BENTLEY of Albuquerque, New Mexico, was named royal ambassadress of the wool industry recently at the culmination of Wool Fiesta Week in San Angelo, Texas. Miriam LaCour of Raywood, Texas, was named alternate.

The 18-year-old new "Miss Wool of 1959" is blonde with blue eyes and is 5' 6" tall. Last year she was a freshman at New Mexico University and plans to return after her year-long reign. The alternate royal ambassadress is 19 years old, a brunette with brown eyes. She is 5' 6" tall and is a

sophomore marketing major at the Lamar Tech.

With "Miss Wool's" title goes a fabulous array of gifts: She wins a \$10,000 all-wool wardrobe from America's top wool apparel and accessory designers; a Chevrolet car, upholstered in wool fabric; a set of Samsonite matched luggage; a \$1,000 costume jewelry collection of "crown jewels" by Marvella, and a year-round, all-expense paid tour of the nation through the coming year. She will leave in October for a three-week glamor whirl of New York City where

she will make her first official appearance before members of the Manhattan press. She will appear on television and be interviewed by feature writers and columnists representing newspapers, radio and television from coast to coast. Other high spots of her itinerary include a special introduction to dignitaries in Washington, D. C., and a three-week stay in Palm Beach, California. Plans for her trips outside the United States will be announced at a later date.

The thirteen finalists competing for the title of "Miss Wool of 1959" were guests of the Board of City Development and the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association and its Auxiliary, for a week-long program of entertainment and civic events in their honor. This included a city-wide parade in which each girl rode in a lavishly ornamented State Float.

The thirteen finalists were: Louise Mayland, Greybull, Wyoming; Doty Lynn Jones, Salem, Oregon; Barbara Turnage, Denver, Colorado; Lee Ryan, Missoula, Montana; Margo Hedges, Ogden, Utah; Ann Trebes, Long Beach, California; Pat Hildreth, Glendale, Arizona; Miriam LaCour, Raywood, Texas; Rita Fae Wolvington, Belle Fourche, South Dakota; Carene Clark, Pocatello, Idaho; Sharon Gunvaldson, Yakima, Washington; Iaine Cali, Las Vegas, Nevada, and Beverly Bentley, Albuquerque, New Mexico, who is "Miss Wool of 1959."

The three judges of the "Miss Wool" contest were: Miss Duncan MacDonald, broadcaster of WNAC, Boston, Massachusetts and fashion editor of "Yankee" Magazine, Dublin New Hampshire; Miss Penny Stoltz of New York City, fashion director for Warren of Stafford Mills, and Norm Levinson, Southwest press representative of MGM with offices in New York and Los Angeles.

The "Miss Wool" contest is sponsored by the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association and its Auxiliary, and the San Angelo Board of City Development.

The first national election of "Miss Wool" was also the first event held in the new coliseum just completed in San Angelo.

Honors For All

An interesting facet of this contest, and one not noted in usual stories, is that for *each* finalist there were certain honors and prizes. Each girl went home with memories of a fabulous week-long round of entertainments as the honor guests of Wool Fiesta Week in San Angelo—including "starring" on her own private float, representing her home state, in the Wool Parade on Wednesday, August 27. (These floats were truly fabulous.)

In addition, each girl received a memento each day to carry home with her:

1. A flash-camera set, and a toy woolly lamb, from The Wool Bureau;
2. "Spring Tips" by Vera;
3. Enough wool yarn to make a sweater, with instruction book from Bernat Yarn Company; with special presentation case of knitting needles by C. J. Bates & Son;

4. Dress hose from Beautiful Bryans, Inc.;
5. Pearl choker and earring set by Marvella (for wear with their finale gown), and finally, the beautiful finale gown itself, a Mary Carter original in red and black printed wool challis.

Each Girl Had It

Miss Hildreth, most charming; Miss Trebes, most poised; LaCour, most photogenic; Bentley, most beautiful; Cali, best posture; Gunvaldson, most enthusiastic; Clark, most talented; Wolvington, most sincere; Hedges, friendliest; Ryan, most vivacious; Turnage, most regal; Mayland, most graceful; Jones, most personality.

Texan Rose Buys Second High Ram At National Sale

THE 43RD annual National Ram Sale was held in Ogden, Utah, August 20-21. 1,061 rams sold for an average of \$160 per head. The 283 Rambouilletts sold averaged \$163.48, and 366 Suffolks sold for an average of \$172.51.

For the first time in the history of the National sale a Columbia ram topped the sale. The stud ram was sold by R. J. Shown of Monte Vista, Colorado, to D. A. Scholten, Medicine Hat, Alberta, Canada, for \$2,050.

In the Rambouillet division the Cunningham Sheep Company of Pendleton, Oregon, paid the high price of \$1,600 for a stud ram consigned by the Nielson Sheep Company of Ephraim, Utah.

Pat Rose, Jr., Del Rio, paid the second high price of \$850 for a Rambouillet stud ram consigned by the College of Southern Utah, Cedar City. Rose purchased one stud ram from John H. Beal, Cedar City, for \$275 and four registered rams consigned by Beal at \$150 each.

The Henderson Ranch Company of Ozona paid \$425 each for a pen of four registered rams from Clifford Olsen, Ephraim, Utah, and \$225 each for two stud rams from Wynn S. Hansen, Collinston, Utah; also \$175 each for a pen of five registered rams from Hansen.

S. E. and John Curry, Plainview, paid \$450 for one stud ram consigned by L. A. Winkle & Sons, Filer, Idaho, and \$170 each for a pen of five registered Suffolk rams from Winkle. They also bought a pen of five registered Suffolk rams from C. R. Sanderson & Sons, Monte Vista, Colorado, at \$135 each.

Chas. Waller, Roswell, New Mexico, paid \$250 for one Columbia stud ram consigned by Pete and Garth Thomas, Malad, Idaho.

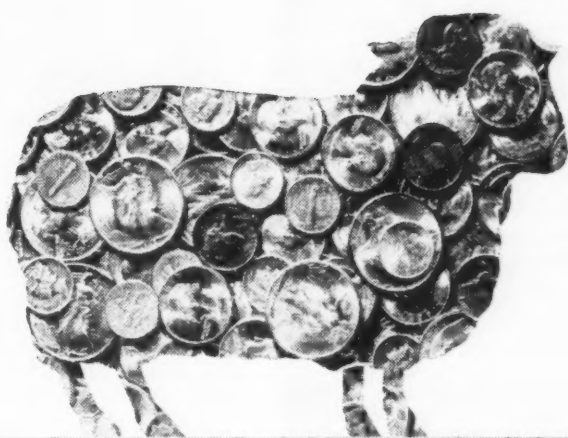
Blue Panic is not a grass—that is, not in the Wardlaw Bros. sale held recently on the Wardlaw Ranch near Del Rio. Topping the 94 head of horses sold, Blue Panic brought \$1,500. The sale averaged \$479.



MISS WOOL

Beverly Bentley of Albuquerque, New Mexico, royal ambassadress of the wool industry for 1959. Wearing her coronation gown, the new "Miss Wool of 1959" looks justifiably pleased with her new title. Her gown is in white wool lace, scattered over with diamond-ettes. From hand-span waistline, skirt falls full and fluid. Tiny bows of white wool challis can be worn as over-the-shoulder bows or off-the-shoulder streamers, as shown here. Fashion by Mary Carter of Dallas, the dress represents the fabulous new use American designers are making of handkerchief-light wool fabrics such as virgin wool lace.

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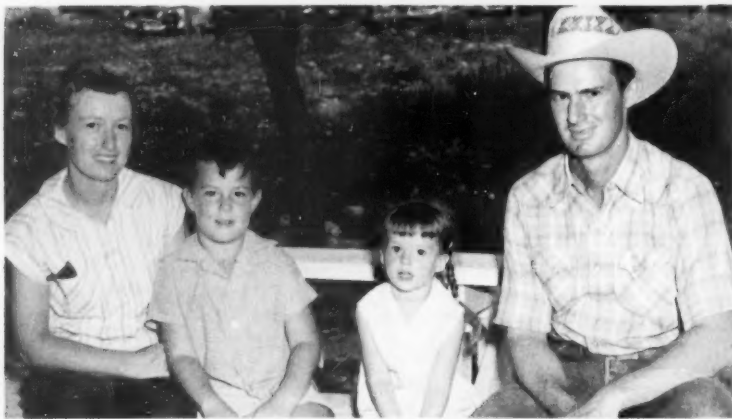
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Angora Goat Raisers



FROM HOG BARN TO GOAT PEN

The Robert Ebelings from Burnet are relatively new breeders of Angora goats. They have been attending the shows and sales in the summer for the last few years, where they have shown and sold their goats. Left to right are Jean, Bobby, Nancy, and Robert. Jean said that she loves working with the goats, but it wasn't goats which brought her and Robert together. Both were showing fat calves at the Houson Fat Stock Show and happened to wander into the hog barns at the same time. They got acquainted, fell in love, married and now are raising registered Angora goats as well as two wonderful children.



NEW BREEDERS

Two young 4-H Club members, Carl and Edward Moneyhon, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Hilton Moneyhon of Mason, are now registered Angora goat breeders. They bought 14 aged does from Mrs. O. J. Camp in 1956 and were loaned a buck. Shown in the picture are three of the bucks which brought \$105.00, \$115.00, \$110.00 in the first annual Mason County Registered Angora Goat Breeders Sale, July 16. The boys run the goats along with their parents' dairy cattle on irrigated fields of small grain, Blue Panicum grass, and sudan grass. (In the picture, Hilton Moneyhon, Carl, Mrs. Moneyhon, and Edward.)

WANTS DECALS

"ENJOY YOUR covers so much. Used goat head for a pattern for our home-made greeting cards. Friends from Hawaii to New York commented on it.

"Where can we buy Angora goat decals for a sign on pick-up door or roadside? Please let us know."

(Ed—Can any reader help us out? Write the magazine.)

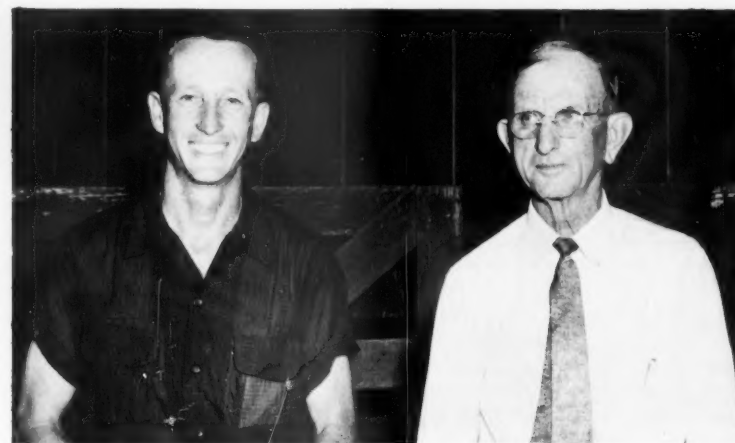
Louie Ragland, for Collins and Aikman, paid 71½ cents per pound for about 200,000 pounds of mohair of the Del Rio Wool and Mohair Company, paying 71½ cents for adult and \$1.01½ for kid hair.

The annual meeting of the American Angora Goat Breeders' Association has been set for October 21 at Rock-springs.



NEW BREEDERS

Christine and Sue Haines sold their five head of Registered Angora bucks at the Junction Billy Sale. They are members of the Edwards County 4-H Club and live between Sonora and Rock-springs. Their goats averaged \$57.00 per head, the highest bringing \$80.00 and the lowest \$40.00.



GOAT PEPPER

Claude Pepper, long recognized as one of the greatest Angora goat breeders in the United States, is shown with his son, Leslie, as they were judging the "B" type classes of the TAGRA Show and Sale at Fredericksburg, July 31, August 1 and 2. The Pepper flock was founded by Claude's father, Jeff Pepper. Through this flock was founded the greasy type of goat which so quickly and for a number of years dominated in producing stud bucks for a large number of other registered breeders. There is hardly a flock of registered Angora goats in the state today which does not have Pepper "blood" in its pedigree. Mr. Pepper is now retired but his son, Leslie, is carrying on with the original flock.

Jernigan Tops Central Texas Goat Sale

THE SECOND Annual Show and Sale of the Central Texas Registered Angora Goat Raisers Association was held August 29 and 30 in Goldthwaite.

M. L. Jernigan of Goldthwaite showed the grand champion buck, which was awarded \$100 by the Hollis Blackwell Wool and Mohair Company of Goldthwaite. The buck sold to Wilford Schuster of Comanche for \$400.

Reserve champion buck, shown by Col. V. Z. Cornelius of Goldthwaite, was awarded \$50 by Lucius M. Stephens and Potts Brothers of Lometa. Dr. T. C. Graves of Goldthwaite bought this buck for \$240.

Third place buck was shown by Bob Kirby of Goldthwaite and sold to Earl Stirman for \$330. It was awarded \$15 by the Mills County State Bank.

Charley McLean of Blackwell Wool and Mohair Company of Goldthwaite bought the fourth place buck for \$150. The buck, shown by David Watters of Goldthwaite, was awarded \$10 by the Mills County State Bank.

L. E. Luckie of Priddy was awarded \$50 by Sam H. Rahl & Son for his grand champion doe, which sold to

Dr. T. C. Graves of Goldthwaite for \$85.

Wilford Schuster of Comanche paid \$75 for the reserve champion doe, which was shown by M. L. Jernigan of Goldthwaite. The doe was awarded \$25 by Burton Brothers Wool and Mohair Company of Comanche.

Mills County State Bank awarded \$15 for the third place doe, shown by E. L. Luckie of Priddy. The doe sold for \$75 to Dr. T. C. Graves.

Dr. Graves also bought the fourth place doe, paying \$70. The doe, shown by M. L. Jernigan, was awarded \$10 by Mills County State Bank.

Consigners for the sale and the number of head sold follow:

M. L. Jernigan, 7 does and 10 bucks for \$1,370; Col. V. Z. Cornelius, 13 bucks for \$1,100; E. L. Luckie, 3 does and 8 bucks for \$915; Bob Kirby, 9 bucks for \$825; Glenn Nickols, 8 bucks for \$670; David Watters, 9 bucks for \$575; W. A. Elms, 7 bucks for \$560; J. H. Conner, 2 does and 6 bucks for \$395; A. B. Wilkinson, 7 bucks for \$360; J. R. Sanders, 6 bucks for \$330; Jimmy Wigley, \$300; Hawley Jernigan, \$235; F. L. Terrell, Jr., \$210; John-

ny Wigley, \$140; Otho Nedart, \$160; Peggy Pafford, \$85; Jonnie Martin, \$75; Robert Stone, \$55; Mrs. Erie D. Roberson, \$120; Otto J. Knudson, \$120; and W. C. Whittenburg, \$170.

The top five buyers were: Wilford Schuster of Comanche, \$1,310; Dr. T. C. Graves of Goldthwaite, \$1,300; Blackwell Wool and Mohair Company of Goldthwaite, \$1,195; Mills County Commission Company of Goldthwaite, \$490; and Murray Earl Stirman of Indian Gap, \$430.

Eighteen does and 114 bucks were sold for a total of \$8,920. This does not include award money. The does averaged \$70.30, while last year's average was \$62. The first 25 bucks averaged \$123.75, which was \$18 above last year's average. The total average on bucks was \$66.60. This was \$14 below last year's \$72 average.

H. F. (Tuff) Whitehead, Jr., and Miss Bobby Lou Whitehead of Del Rio recently purchased from Joe B. Blakeney of San Angelo a 5,566-acre ranch 22 miles north of Del Rio. The ranch joins land owned by H. F. (Tuff) Whitehead, Sr., father of the new owners.

Blakeney, who bought the ranch about a year ago from Del Rio ranchman Jack Sellers, has rested the land since its purchase and had planned to stock it with ewe lambs this fall.

The 30th Annual Southwestern Livestock Show will be held February 9-15 in El Paso, according to the livestock production committee of the El Paso Chamber of Commerce.

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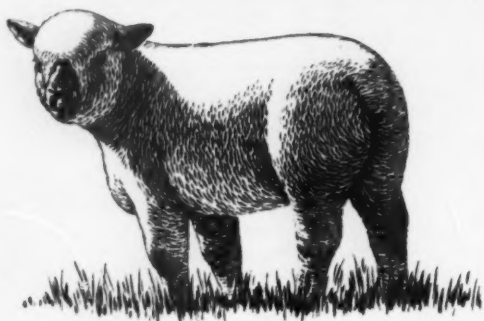
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We'll believe that science can take the salt outa sea water, soon as it shows us how to get salt out of a shaker after a rainy spell.

If the Pentagon really wants a surrender plan, a committy of any three married men could write one up in 15 minnits or less.

Gabe Horsfall won a prize for the first cotton bale of the summer but was a bad fifth in the race for the first keg of fall moonshine. Gabe says this has sure learnt him not to waste time playin'.

A woman that don't get her own way is dealin' with another woman.

Mrs. Ringtail Skump says if them TV people really want to see a quick draw they oughta watch Ringtail when he learns she has put some money into their bank account. He makes the fastest gun in Tombstone look about as swift as a lumber wagon.

I don't really think that hard work can kill a person, but I'm just naturally too cautious to take a chance.

Young Pickax Posey got sent to jail for speedin' on the highway and the first day there got throwed into solitary for speedin' to the mess hall.

One guvverment bureau has relocated the center of the U. S. from Kansas to Oakota. Center of the universe is still the biggest moonshine still on Squawberry Flat and another guvverment bureau is tryin' to locate that.

In his campane speeches Sen Haywire is promisin' us voters a lotta things that don't exist. Peace is one of 'em.

I've seen the fight at the OK corral 14 times on TV, in 14 diffrent corrals with 14 diffrent Earps and 14 diffrent Doc Hollidays. So I'm all ready for my new career as perfesser of western histry, soon as some big colledge makes me an offer.

A feller oughtn't to fret if his wife

thinks of a lotta things he ain't no good for. Everbody knows now that whisky ain't no good for snake bite, but it's popular as ever.

If I break the speed limit the highway patrol leads me off to jail. If I don't, the other drivers is mad at me for obstructin' traffick and the insurance Co. won't pay off when I get bumped from behind.

Big pile of trash burnt last night acrost the alley from the Giant Emporium, so today the Giant Emporium is havin' a fire sale.

The Hardscrabble Improvement Committy is out with a new program callin' for the removal of 38 old trees, 14 old houses and 26 Johnsons of all ages.

Ain't heard no big muskeeter stories all summer. Used to be a couple of fellers here could tell real good muskeeter stories, but last spring some big muskeeters swooped down and carried 'em off.

My wife ain't got no ambishun to fly to the moon. She read where scientists think it's covered with dust and trash, so it must look like her house after a visit from her grandchildren.

Experts say that all people need is a little confidence to start buyin' again. I'm ready to start soon as I gain confidence that I can't be made to pay for what I buy.

Admiral Rickover needn't fret. The man that invented sin ain't never had no proper recognition. Maybe it's because we're too busy with his product to remember the inventor.

Yep, I'm savin' for Christmas. Already got lists put by of merchants in Beaver Slide and Kiote Hole that maybe ain't heard about my credit standin' in Hardscrabble.

We don't never have traffick jams out here on Squawberry Flat, where evry man is his own supplier and the roads ain't crowded with lickder delivery trucks like in the big cities.

Everbody just laughs when Sen. Haywire speechifies about how honest and efficient he is. We know he couldn't be honest without bein' inefficient at what he goes to Congress for.

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WHEN a feller realizes what a drip he has been it's often too late to fix.

COACH to football player: "You're out of condition. What ya been doin', studyin'?"

IF YOU can't back up what you say, you had better back up before you say it.

WHEN a young man saves up for a rainy day and then gets married, he finds that the rainy season has begun.

ALL IS fair in love and war, and if you win at either the expense doesn't end.

IF YOU have nothing else to do, look about you and see if there isn't something close at hand that you can improve! It may make you wealthy, though it is more likely that it will make you happy.

—George Matthew Adams

GRACIE Allen explained to husband George Burns why she consistently ignores red lights. "When you've seen one," she scoffed, "you've seen them all."

A MAN arose early one morning last week to surprise his family with hot oatmeal for breakfast.

He was dishing out a bowl for Jimmy, 3, when Jimmy walked into the kitchen.

"Want honey on it?" his dad asked.

"Yes."

"And milk?"

"Yes."

"Butter in it, too?"

"Yes."

He gave the bowl to Jimmy. The youngster stared at it for a while, then pushed it away.

"You've got everything you want in it," his dad said. "Why don't you eat it?"

"I don't like oatmeal," said Jimmy.

CHEERFUL people, the doctors say, resist disease better than glum ones. In other words, the surly bird catches the germ.

THREE-FOURTHS of the earth's surface is water and one-fourth is land. It's clear the Good Lord intended man should spend three times as much time fishing as he does mowing the lawn.

ONE thing that will make a man forget a passing fancy is something fancier.

MOM: "Let's buy Sis a horse."

Pop: "Do you think that will improve her behavior?"

Mom: "No, but it will spread her meanness over a wider area."

BOB HOPE describes Elvis Presley as the first entertainer "who wears his clothes out from the inside!"

MIDDLE age is when your memory is shorter, your experience longer, your stamina lower, and your forehead higher.

NOW that they have made cigarettes less irritating, why don't they start working on the commercials?

SHOCKED by the language used by two workmen repairing telephone wires near her house, an old spinster reported the matter to the company. The foreman in making his report on the incident wrote:

"Me and Bill was on the job. I was up the pole and let some hot lead fall which went down his neck. He turned to me and said, 'You really must be more careful, Harry,' and I said, 'Indeed I must, Bill. I will see that it don't happen again.'"

BEHIND every successful man can usually be found three people: his wife and Mr. and Mrs. Jones.

WILL Rogers: "There is nothing so stupid as the educated man if you get off the subject he was educated in."

"A MAN'S life," signed Wool Blind Bill, "is 20 years of having his mother asking him where he is going; 40 years of having his wife ask the same question; and at the end, the mourners wondering, too."

TOMMY was running errands for his sister. Among the requirements was a trip to the drug store.

"I would like a box of powder for my sister," said the boy.

"Certainly," replied the clerk, and, aiming to have a joke, he added, "do you want the kind that goes off with a bang?"

But Tommy was equal to the occasion. "No," he answered brightly, "the kind that goes on with a puff."

THE clock in our village church takes eight seconds to strike eight, how long does it take to strike midnight?

The usual answer is twelve seconds but this is wrong. When the clock strikes eight, there have been only seven pauses each of one and a seventh seconds. In striking midnight there will be eleven pauses of the same duration. Eleven multiplied by one and a seventh equals twelve and four-sevenths.

RAM PERFORMANCE TESTS SCHEDULED AT STATION

THE ELEVENTH annual performance test for young rams will be conducted during the winter of 1958-59 at the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station Substation Number 14 at Sonora.

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C. To assist and encourage sheep

producers to do a more efficient job of sheep improvement through use of performance records in selecting rams.

The testing program was open to any breeder attempting to do a constructive job of sheep improvement, irrespective of breed affiliation. The ram lambs entered were born between September 1, 1957, and April 15, 1958.

Each of the test groups is divided into fall and spring lamb groups. The first test group consists of groups of four ram lambs which are being fed as sire groups. The second test group is made up of groups of four to ten rams from multiple sire flocks in which the sires of individual animals are not known and from selected groups from registered flocks without entering by sire groups.

The animals are being hand-fed a ration consisting of equal parts oats and alfalfa hay, the purpose being to grow rather than fatten the rams.

The cost to the breeder is estimated at \$25 per head for entering ram lambs in the test.

The annual meeting of the Debouillet Sheep Breeders Association will be held in Roswell, New Mexico, November 29.

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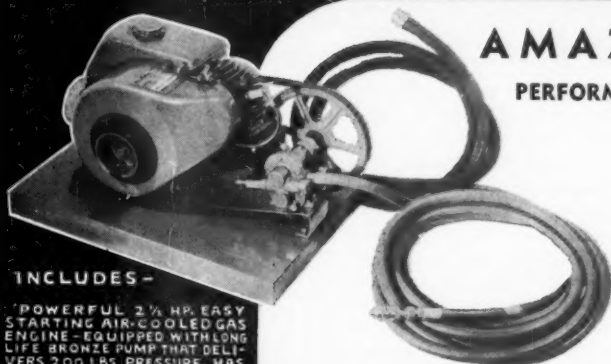
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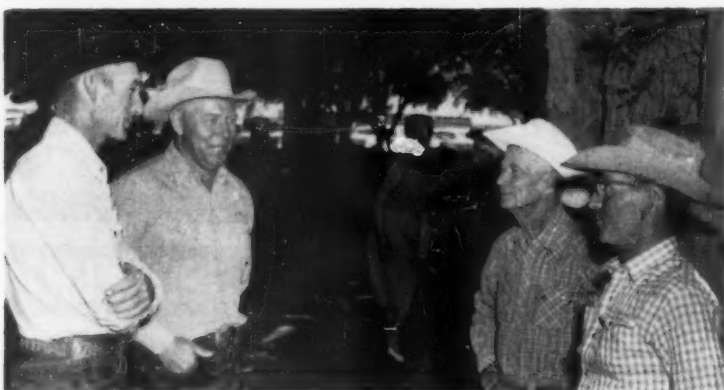


THE SALE WAS A HAPPY ONE

The friendly atmosphere under the shade trees of the A. D. Jones Estate Ranch makes the Jones Debouillet sale one of the most enjoyable held in the sheep industry. Ranchmen from several states, hundreds of miles around attend and the Jones family welcomes the opportunity of renewing friendships.

Here are Dick Jones, Roswell, son of Mrs. Jones and the late A. D. Jones; Atlas Jones, Esperanza; Mrs. Joe Skeen, Picacho, daughter of Mrs. Jones and the late A. D. Jones; and Emory Ralls of Ralls, Texas, lifelong friend of the family.

Dick Jones is studying at Texas A. & M. College, specializing in wool marketing.

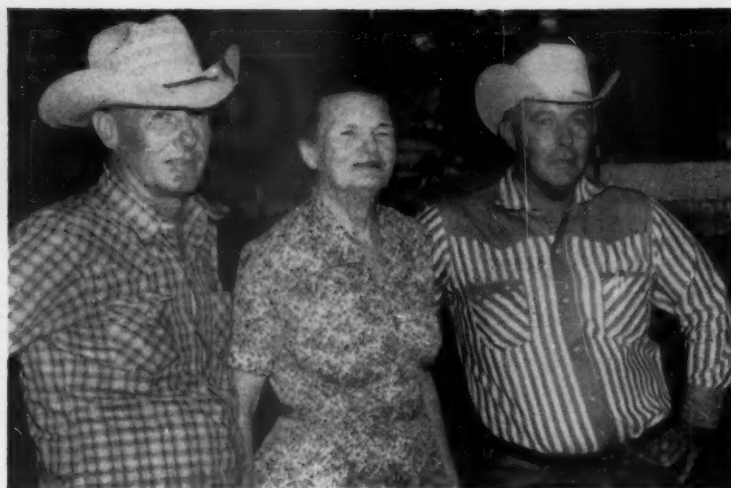


TALKING IT OVER

Discussing the sale are Punch Jones, Roswell, son of Mrs. and the late A. D. Jones; Don Merritt of Pinon; R. L. Merritt, Lake Arthur; and L. A. Reeves, Hope.

TEXANS AT THE JONES SALE

Some of the Texans at the A. D. Jones sale were caught in this casual group shot. Pictured from left to right are the following, most of whom were major buyers at the sale: Cal McGowan, whose ranch is just west of San Angelo on the Middle Concho River; J. W. Fields, who ranches near Arden; Mrs. Del Renfro, Marfa; Dale and Ed Herring, Talpa. Back of Mrs. Renfro, partially hidden, is C. E. Renfro of Melvin. In dark glasses is Foster Price, Sterling City, and on the right, Dewayne Lindsey of Rankin. At least a dozen other Texans were present at the sale.



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T. M. Dye and Gene Koy of Roswell, New Mexico, are partners in the Roswell Livestock Commission Company, one of the fastest growing organizations of its kind in the Southwest. Gene is the son of Jess Koy, Eldorado, Texas, and is a transplanted Texan. With them is Mrs. C. A. Marley, prominent ranch woman of the Roswell area, who is, according to Mr. Koy, "one of our favorite customers."

Jones Debouillet Sale Popular with Texans

THE FIFTH annual A. D. Jones Estate Debouillet sale held September 4 proved popular with a great many Texas sheepmen and they were major buyers in an active, well attended event.

The top ram in the sale went to the Slaughter Ranch at Picacho, New Mexico, for \$265. The second high selling ram went to Mrs. Del Renfro, Marfa, Texas, for \$210.

All of the yearling ewes were purchased by Dewayne Lindsey, Rankin, Texas; 126 head, at prices which ranged between \$31.50 and \$33 per head. Other ewes at prices ranging from \$17.50 to \$22.50 were sold to E. F. Haby and J. W. Fields, San Angelo, who took 25 and 97 head, respectively, and E. O. Herring and Son, Talpa, took 50 head at \$22.50 each, and Wayne Adams, Roswell, who took 58 head at \$22.

A total of 356 ewes sold for an

average of \$24.97; while a total of 260 rams were sold, averaging \$52.06.

Texas buyers at the sale included the following: Dewayne Lindsey, Rankin; E. F. Haby, San Angelo; E. O. Herring and Son Talpa; J. W. Fields, San Angelo; Mrs. Del Renfro, Marfa; M. P. Renfro, Marfa; Col. McGowan, San Angelo; G. A. Howard, Marfa; York, Gail, Texas.

New Mexico buyers were: Wayne Adams, Roswell; Slaughter Ranch, Picacho; Goodrum, Roswell; Joe Skeen, Picacho; W. R. McKnight, Roswell; Mrs. K. A. Yoder, Roswell; Ruby Remmele, Roswell; Snipes, Roswell; Vanderwart, Artesia; Boswell, Roswell; Sanders, Lovington; Pete Louissena, Caprock; Loren Reeves, Hope; W. C. Treat, Roswell; Mrs. J. W. Stevens, Roswell; Lillian Crane, Roswell; Dave Runyan, Artesia; D. H. Bunting, Artesia; Frank Runyan, Hope; Hugh Graham & Son, Caprock; Jim McKnight, Roswell; Paul Coffin, Artesia; Bud Eppers, Roswell; Paul Coffin, Artesia; Chessner, Roswell.

The barbecue luncheon attended by several hundred ranch folk preceded the sale on the Jones Estate Ranch a few miles from Tatum, New Mexico.

RANCH LAND SALE

E. H. CHANDLER and W. A. Childress, owners of the Slaughter Ranch in north Martin County, have decided to sell the ranch for farm land. The Slaughter Ranch, established as a part of the vast ranch soldings of Col. C. C. Slaughter, was sold to Chandler and Childress in August, 1957, by the Slaughter heirs.

Some 3,200 acres of land have already been sold, leaving approximately 23,000 acres to be sold.

HARRIS USES SQUEEZE MACHINE RESULTS IN BREEDING STUDY

PRENTICE HARRIS, who ranches on the Texas-New Mexico line and calls his post office Bronco, is a Rambouillet breeder who is taking increasing pride in his work.

In visiting the ranch recently, we found him in the middle of his stud flock doing a little checking. Most of his flock bloodlines are traced back to Texas purchases, including sheep from Jack Preston of Utopia, Leo Richardson of Iraan, V. I. and Miles Pierce of Ozona and Alpine, John Williams of Eldorado, and a number of others.

He sells about 100 rams each year, furnishing stock mostly to his neighbors. This year the ram lambs he is holding over are quite uniform and growthy. In addition, they are in excellent condition as are all his sheep, due to the good range conditions this season.

"I get a lot out of the progeny tests of the Experiment Station near Sonora. These tests show me where I am going and indicate where I am now." He is one of the biggest boosters of the squeeze method of testing individual fleeces for shrink, etc.

"It isn't perfect by a long shot, but we can get some pretty good ideas of what our wool is doing."

Mr. Harris will be in the current ram progeny test with some good rams out of one of his recent Texas purchases.

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Harris is a stickler for records, especially on wool production. "Our Rambouillets must have good wool; that's a big reason why we raise them, and they should have wool of enough density, length, and quality to make the flock increasingly profitable."

NATIONAL COLUMBIA SALE AVERAGE \$390

TWENTY-THREE yearling and two-year-old rams averaged \$390 at the annual National Columbia Sheep Show and Sale at Douglas, Wyoming, September 10. R. J. Shown, Monte Vista, Colorado, received the top price of \$700 for his ram lamb. Clarence Bernards, McMinnville, Oregon, received \$625 for his third place yearling ram and \$625 for his two-year-old ram. The champion ram shown by Joseph Pfister of Node, Wyoming, and Shown's reserve champion ram each sold for \$470.

Mark Bradford of Spanish Fork, Utah, received \$470 for a yearling ewe and \$305 for his champion ewe and Pfister's reserve champion ewe sold for \$175. One hundred thirty-eight yearling ewes averaged \$104; 20 ewe lambs averaged \$85.

D. K. McMullan, Jr., Big Lake ranchman, recently sold 363 head of top quality Rambouillet yearling ewes to Frank Perry of Fort Stockton at \$27.50 per head. The ewes averaged 125 pounds, and Perry estimates that they will shear six pounds. They were last sheared in the spring.

MEXICANS TO BUY CATTLE

IT IS expected that between September 1 and November 30 of this year that Mexico cattlemen will buy \$4 million worth of cattle with funds supplied by an Export-Import Bank loan. It is not known whether sheep and goats can be purchased also under this arrangement, but it is believed that they cannot be included.

SAND HILLS SHOW JANUARY 5 - 10

THE SAND Hills Hereford and Quarter Horse Show will have its annual show January 5 through 10, 1959, in Odessa, Hubert Martin, show secretary, recently announced.

A registered quarter horse sale will be held Friday, January 9. The West Texas Cutting Horse Association is sponsoring the quarter horse consignment sale, which will be held the afternoon of the 9th. The registered Hereford sale will be Saturday, January 10.

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Wool Prices Summary

WOOL PRICES were relatively stable during the first four months of the current domestic marketing season, but were considerably lower than a year earlier, reflecting the easier world demand. Prices began the season at or near the lows of 12 months of decline in contrast with the early months of the 1957 season when they were at or near the peak of an 18-month advance. Late in July, Boston quotations for domestic wools ranged from 18 to 36 cents per pound, clean basis, below a year earlier. Quotations for most descriptions were about the same as or slightly higher than in early April.

Wool Prices Need Spur

Prices received by domestic growers for shorn wool during the first four months of the current marketing season averaged between 36.3 and 37.7 cents per pound, grease basis. They averaged between 14.9 and 19.8 cents lower than a year earlier and between 16.0 and 17.4 cents below the average of 53.7 cents for the entire 1957 season. Unless world demand strengthens considerably in the next few months, the 1958 season average is likely to be down sharply from last season and may be the lowest since the incentive program went into effect. The average total return per pound to the grower for wool sold would, of course, be the same as last season since the incentive level is unchanged at 62 cents. Because of the decline in prices, payments to be made next year on 1958 marketings are expected to be considerably higher than for 1957 marketings and may be the largest under the National Wool Act of 1954. Also, marketings may be considerably larger than for each of the first three years because of the substantial quantity of 1957 clip wool carried over into the current season. The delayed sales were due to the weak demand and low prices during the late months of 1957 season, and to the expectation of some growers that the payment rate for 1958 would be higher and the total return per pound for their 1957 wool would be larger if sold during the 1958 marketing year.

The payment rates for shorn wool and unshorn lambs marketed last season are much lower than those for 1956, since the 1957 average price for shorn wool, 53.7 cents, was 9.4 cents higher than that for 1956. Shorn wool payments to individual producers for the 1957 marketing year amounted to 15.5 percent of their dollar returns from the sale of shorn wool. The rate for the 1956 marketing year was 40 percent. The 1957 payment rate on sales of unshorn lambs is 33 cents per hundred-weight of live animal sold compared with 71 cents for the 1956 marketing year. Due to lower payment rates and smaller marketings, payments now being made on the 1957 marketings are expected to total only about one-third those for each of the

first two years of the payments program.

World Clip Down

The 1957-58 world wool clip is now estimated at 4,900 million pounds, grease basis, about two percent smaller than that of 1956-57. The drop, the first after nine successive increases, was concentrated in merino wool. This largely reflected drouth conditions in Australia and the Union of South Africa. Production of crossbred wool continued to increase. An increase in the world clip of about 20 million pounds, a little less than 0.5 percent, has been forecast for 1958-59. The Australian clip is expected to be down again due to the drouth last year and early this year.

Domestic Clip Up

Domestic production of shorn wool this year is estimated at 240 million pounds, grease basis, up two percent from last year. The increase reflects the flock expansion last year associated with improved range and pasture conditions, favorable prices, and the incentive payments. With the payments program and continued generally favorable feed conditions and lamb prices, some further increase in sheep numbers this year, and, hence, in shorn wool production next year is a likely prospect.

Source: The Wool Situation.

SHIRLEY LIVESTOCK COMMISSION CLOSES

SHIRLEY LIVESTOCK Commission Company at Fort Worth will close its offices in Fort Worth on October 12, Mrs. Louis Wardlaw, office manager, announced recently.

Established by the late Clint Shirley, the firm was sold by Mrs. Shirley after her husband's death to Louis Wardlaw and Dr. W. A. Belcher.

According to Mrs. Wardlaw, Wardlaw and Belcher will continue their partnership and do business as Shirley Livestock Company. Their order buying and trading operations will be largely in the country. About a year and a half ago Wardlaw separated his country order buying business from the Fort Worth office.

Tom Davis and Rufus Welch, heads of Shirley's sheep and hog departments, left Shirley recently to join Carson Commission Company. Dick Nowlin, head of the cattle department at Shirley's, has not as yet announced his plans.

The Shallow Well Ranch about 15 miles north of Vaughn, New Mexico, has been traded by Dr. H. A. Gustavus of Abilene, Texas, to T. A. Kirk of Abilene and Fort Worth. The ranch consists of 9,100 acres deeded and 400 acres leased land. The land was valued at \$20 per acre and the trade included properties in Colorado, Utah and Texas. James K. Cockrell of Austin handled the deal.



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WOOL AND MOHAIR SEWING CONTEST

A WOOL and mohair sewing contest for school girls in the Hill Country will be sponsored by the Hill Country Chapter of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association. A style show and contest will be held in the Harper School Cafetorium on January 3, 1959.

The revised 1959 rules were announced by Mrs. Jack Groff, wool and mohair promotion chairman. They are as follows:

1. Garments must be made of at least 90 percent wool or mohair fabric.
2. Contestant must make the garment herself.

3. Contestant must be attending high school or grade school at the time of the style show.

Garments will be judged in these classes:

1. Suits and Coats.
2. Dresses.
3. Senior Skirts (sophomore in high school or above).
4. Junior Skirts (high school freshman or below).

Prizes will be woolen fabrics.

Girls interested in entering the contest may obtain entry cards from Mrs. Jack Groff of Kerrville or Mrs. Louis Strohacker, Kerrville.

The big attraction at the Houston Fat Stock Show, February 25 through March 8, 1959, will be Jim Arness.

He's Matt Dillon, the Dodge City marshal of TV "Gunsmoke" fame. He will have 19 personal appearances there, probably in character as a "shoot 'em up" hero.

A 600,000-pound accumulation of adult and kid hair sold at 71½ cents and \$1.01½ per pound from the Sonora Wool and Mohair Company in early September. C. J. Webre with Forte, Dupee and Sawyer, Boston, was buyer.

In the September 17 issue of the Daily News Record, Eastman Kodak used over 20 pages to advertise a new fiber called Kodel—another synthetic competitor for wool and mohair. The dollar outlay of Kodak in promoting this fiber is said to be tremendous.



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Letters . . .

A COMMENT AND A SUGGESTION

FIRSTLY, let me express my sincere thanks for the space you allowed me in the Sheep and Goat Raiser to publish my lengthy report, and for your editorial comment. Both are very much appreciated.

It would have been extremely courteous of me to have indulged in criticism of Texas goats and marketing systems if I had done so in a destructive way, especially after having received such marvelous hospitality from everyone I met. But every word I have uttered has been with one sole object in view, and that is in doing good. To be a hypocrite or even a diplomat is something that is foreign to me, and I am quite content to take what comes to me on the chin because I know that *my intentions are good, and not evil*. The only doubtful factor is found in my qualifications. Perhaps I am not suitably qualified to express an opinion on the relative merits. If this is so, then the report and my letter must be consigned forthwith to the waste paper basket.

I have just heard from Pete Gulley about the recent Angora sales, and I must confess I was deeply envious of the fact that he was there and I was nearly 6,000 miles away. However, I am very pleased to hear that the results, although not as good as last year, have fully justified our faith in the future of the mohair industry. Molly and I were very pleased to hear that Mrs. Burrows had topped the sale at Gatesville, and we wish her continued success.

Before concluding this letter, allow me to congratulate you on the extremely attractive way you present the Sheep and Goat Raiser Magazine. I find the reading very interesting and the advertisements just "out of this world." There are articles to interest people from all walks of life. The farmers and ranchers can count themselves fortunate in receiving the services you render them. The only improvement I would dare suggest would be a page devoted to correspondence where readers could air their views and grievances on agricultural subjects. It is with this in mind that I

have taken the liberty of writing to you.

Thank you once again for your kind assistance and for sending me the extra copies of the magazines.

With kindest regards to you all,

Yours sincerely,

PERCY THEOPHILUS

Woodlands, P. O. Baroe, C. P.
South Africa

SHEEP BUYING VACATION

August 10, 1958

AS YOU probably know by now, Maudie and I planned our vacation this year to include the dispersal sale of the entire Southdown flock of Don Head Farms, Richmond Hill, Ontario, Canada. The sale was held July 14. We left home ten days before the sale date, and that gave us time to see and do lots between here and there. The country was beautiful all the way up and as it was our first visit into Canada, we had big eyes and ears all the way. The weather was nice, too — as low as 48 degrees a few mornings.

We purchased five head of Southdowns from the Don Head Farms that we are very proud of, and while there we visited Mr. and Mrs. Dave E. McEwen in Byron and purchased a Southdown ram lamb. We also bought three nice Suffolk ewes from Beath Farms, Oshwa, and two Suffolk ram lambs from Cedar Mains, Belton. All in all, we are quite proud of our buys and expect to have good returns from them.

We saw several Texans at the sale, including Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Penny and son, Bobby, of Winters. The Pennys joined us the last week of our vacation, and we all made the trip back home together. We all agreed it was a nice trip, and we had gobs of fun, but it was good to get home again.

HAM CHOAT
Olney, Texas

SHEEP DOING NICELY

September 5, 1958

OUR WEATHER continues hot and dry here. Surely could use a good rain. The sheep are doing nicely. Our country is full of good crops, so we will not suffer for feed. Stock prices continue good.

OTHO WHITEFIELD
Friona, Texas

ALL BUCKS SOLD

September 6, 1958

THANKS FOR a good job. We have sold all of our bucks that we offered for this year.

HERBIE OEHLER
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A NEW 160-horse barn on the grounds of the Joe Freeman Coliseum in San Antonio is nearing completion, according to the San Antonio Livestock Exposition. The new horse barn is 100 feet by 250 feet. Constructed of steel and metal, the barn is located directly behind Horse Barn Number One and will be called Horse Barn Number Two. The new structure will be ready for the 1959 show.

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IN MEMORIAM

MRS. HAL NOELKE

MRS. HAL NOELKE, 55, wife of a prominent Irion County ranchman, died August 5 in a San Angelo hospital.

She is survived by her husband, Hal Noelke of Mertzon; a son, Harry Edward Noelke of Mertzon; a daughter, Mrs. David M. Atcheson of San Mateo, California; a brother, Oliver Fries of Kitchener, Ontario, Canada; a sister, Mrs. A. J. Datars of Tavistock, Ontario, Canada, and two nephews.

C. C. WILCOX

C. C. WILCOX, 65, partner in the Roddie-Wilcox Company of Brady, died suddenly of a heart attack August 27 in Boston, Massachusetts.

Mr. Wilcox had been in the wool scouring business since 1918. He and Roddie Brothers established the Brady plant in 1955. Mr. Wilcox was last in Brady this past April.

Survivors include his wife, two daughters, and one son.

E. WALTER COWDEN

E. WALTER COWDEN, 85, prominent pioneer rancher and oilman, died at his Midland home August 12 following a long illness.

The owner of extensive real estate holdings, oil leases, royalties, and properties in West Texas, Mr. Cowden took an active interest in the growth and development of the ranching and oil industries for over 40 years.

On March 17, 1896, Mr. Cowden married Miss Eva Holcombe, a daughter of William Holcombe, who was an early day West Texas ranchman. The couple had two daughters, Mrs. J. C. Ward of Odessa, and Mrs. Walter Fay Averitt of Ruidoso, New Mexico.

ED LEHNE

ED LEHNE, 83, pioneer Fort McKavett ranchman, died August 21 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Merlin Rogers, in Fort McKavett.

Mr. Lehne was a member of the St. James Episcopal Church of Fort McKavett and the Masonic Lodge.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Mrs. Wade Tomlinson of Miller, Missouri, and Mrs. Rogers of Fort McKavett; three brothers, George Lehne and Louie Lehne of Fort McKavett, and Willie Lehne of Oregon.

JAMES Q. CARTER, SR.

JAMES Q. CARTER, SR., 68, prominent Abilene rancher, died of a heart attack August 26 on a 10,000-foot high timber trail near Salida, Colorado. Mr. Carter and his wife were enroute home following a California vacation.

He collapsed while trying to move his stalled car. Mrs. Carter walked eight miles to find help.

J. M. NUTT

J. M. (JIMMY) NUTT, 67, San Angelo and Mertzon area ranchman, died August 27 in a San Angelo hospital.

Mr. Nutt married Miss Ida Elliot of Fort McKavett in April, 1917. They lived in San Angelo, and Mr. Nutt ranched in the area for the past 38 years.

Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Mrs. Jim Hamilton and Mrs. Ben Keel of San Angelo; a brother, J. L. Nutt of San Angelo; and four grandchildren, also of San Angelo.

WILEY JEMEYSON

WILEY JEMEYSON, 86, long time Christoval area ranchman, died September 6. Jemeyson moved to Williamson County about 15 years ago.

Survivors include a son, Waldo Jemeyson of Christoval; five daughters, Mrs. Edith Wiley of Austin, Mrs. Pauline Rappy and Mrs. Wiley Mae Dubre of McCamey, Mrs. Mancine Amundson of California, and Mrs. Althea Mace of Missouri; 13 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

HENRY HOLIMAN

HENRY HOLIMAN, 69, Tom Green County ranchman, was killed August 29 when his saddle horse fell down a 20-foot embankment into a dry creek bed near Carlsbad.

Mr. Holiman's family were among the early day settlers in San Angelo. The family moved to San Angelo in 1905 from Irion County and settled where Main Street and Harris Avenue now intersect. Mr. Holiman had ranched for over 20 years near Carlsbad. He donated the land for Holiman Elementary School in San Angelo.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Miss Jean Holiman of Abilene; five brothers, Tom and Joe Holiman of San Angelo, Claude Holiman of Canyon City, Colorado, Dan Holiman of McAllen, and Fred Holiman of Dallas; a sister, Mrs. Aubrey Cates of San Angelo; a half-sister, Mrs. Ida Cade of San Angelo; two stepsons, Pyron Cole of San Angelo and W. S. Cole of Houston.

MRS. W. W. CARSON

MRS. W. W. CARSON, 86, well known West Texas educational and civic leader, died September 10 in Baptist Memorial Hospital in San Angelo, following a long illness.

During her long and active life, Mrs. Carson won many friends and admirers throughout West Texas. Founder of Fort Concho Museum and San Angelo Business College, Mrs. Carson also studied law, ran for the state legislature, operated her husband's abstract office, taught school

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Good Goat Show At Abilene

THE WEST Texas Fair at Abilene had some outstanding animals in the Angora goat division this year. Edgar Davis exhibited two does which had been winners at the Texas Angora Goat Raisers Association show held in August, where he purchased them. Jack Klein also had a doe which had won second in the B-type division on the same show, along with goats he

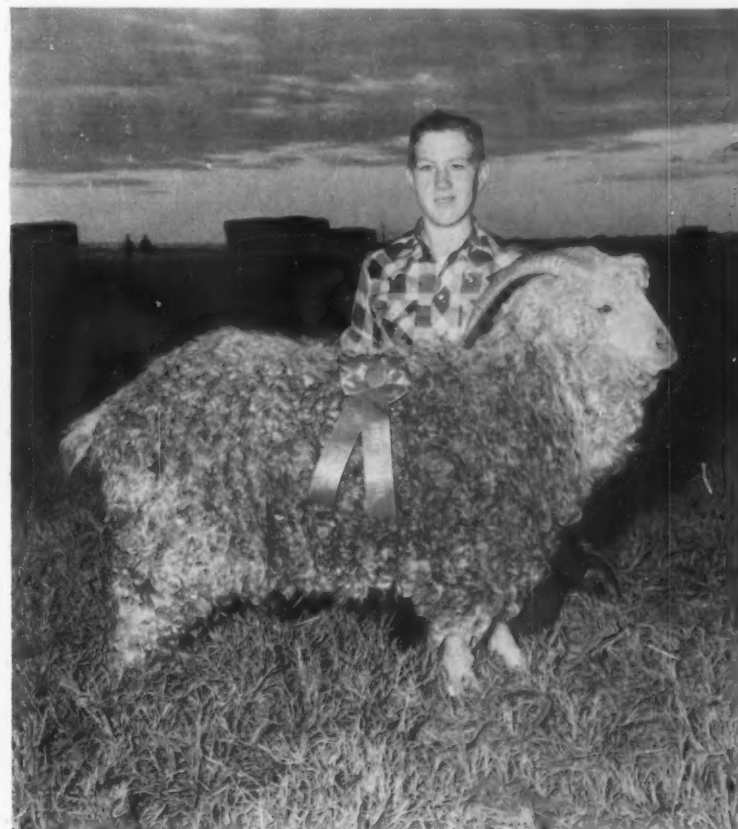
had shown to championships in other major shows. There was a total of 82 head entered. Authur Davis of Sabinal, who judged the show, had high praises for the quality of the animals entered. The pens, barns and show facilities rank second to none. They are looking forward to having more entries next year.



Edgar Davis flock shows major winners in "C" type division of the Angora goat show at the Abilene fair. Standing, left to right: Margaret Davis and her father, Edgar Davis. Squatting and holding goats, Del Davis, Mary Davis and Irving Davis. Margaret and Mary are daughters of Edgar Davis and Del is the son of Irving. They are holding the junior champion doe kid, open division champion "C" type yearling doe, and champion "C" type yearling buck of the open division.



Lanny Perry, club boy from Merkel, had his own cheering section along at the Abilene show, where he had the champion "C" type buck in the junior division. It was a buck kid. The pretty young ladies, also from Merkel, are, left to right, Janie Breaux, Lynda Jones, and Marie Foster.



Jack Klein, 11-year-old club boy from Mountain Home, in Kerr County, had all of the champions in the "B" type division, both junior and open divisions, of the Angora goat show at the Abilene Fair. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Klein. In the show he had a total of 12 first places, four grand champions, and four reserve champions. The buck he is holding is a two-year-old which was the champion "B" type buck in both the junior and open division.

and Sunday School classes, and raised nine children—seven of whom went to college. She was also active in the Rebekah Lodge, served on the state board of the Odd Fellow Orphan Home at Corsicana, and actively participated as an officer and member of the West Texas Historical Society.

Mr. Carson died in 1941. Mrs. Carson is survived by seven children: Mrs. Irene Crowder, Hezzie Carson, and Wood (Kit) Carson of San Angelo, W. W. Carson of Crane, Mrs. Malvin K. Stevenson of Harlingen, Mrs. Herman Saenger of Fort Stockton, and Harold Carson of Alamo.

Two sisters, Mrs. Maud Branch of Big Lake and Mrs. O. E. Stevenson of Fort Stockton, and a brother, Lindly Wood of Mertzon, also survive. There are ten grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren surviving.

MAUD A. MOORE

MAUD A. MOORE, 83, retired Eden rancher and stock farmer, died August 29 in a Melvin hospital. He had lived in Eden since 1907.

Survivors include his wife, the former Miss Lizzie Singleton; and 15 nieces and nephews.

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THE 70TH Annual Meeting of the American Rambouillet Sheep Breeders Association was held at the Gladstone Hotel, Casper, Wyoming, September 22, 1958.

The three officers of the association were re-elected and are as follows: President, Clyde Thate, Burkett, Texas; Vice President, Dr. R. I. Port, Sundance, Wyoming; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. A. D. Harvey, San Angelo, Texas.

The terms of two directors expired and two new directors were elected.

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Previously elected directors who will continue to fill their directorship:

District 1, Oren A. Wright, Greenwood, Indiana; District 2, W. E. Couch, Waxahachie, Texas; District 5, Harold Price, Eden, Texas; District 6, Doyle J. Matthews, Logan, Utah; Director at Large, Dr. John H. Beal, Cedar City, Utah.

Association members are urged to write to E. S. Mayer, Jr., Barnhart,

or the Association office, San Angelo, immediately upon discovering loss of sheep and goats. The Association is doing all possible to cut down thefts from members but must be notified of such losses.

Sheep are subject to a contagious form of arthritis, the cause of which is not completely understood. The research work in sheep diseases is in its infancy.

Ernest Redelmeir of the Don Head Farms, Richmond Hill, Ontario, writes that Anson Balson, widely known in sheep circles, died from a heart attack September 9.



OLD TIMERS MEET

Raleigh White, Brady, and Willie Wilkinson, Menard, long-time friends and Association members, meet again at the barbecue at Alpine. Both have been faithful supporters of the work of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association and other livestock organizations. Seated are Ned Friend, Ozona; Mrs. Wilkinson; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Taylor, San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Scott Hargrove, Paint Rock; Mrs. James Baggett, Mrs. Ned Friend, and James Baggett, Ozona.

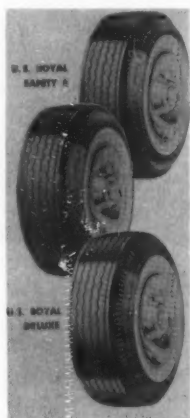
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duced. He proposed that part of the funds which would be required to adequately operate the commission be raised by inspection fees from livestock auction companies, inspection fees in counties and the balance from the general fund. He asked for help from all livestock associations in getting adequate funds.

C. W. Wardlaw, acting chairman, Wool Committee, had no report.

Vice President L. M. Stephens called on O. D. Dooley, Chairman, Mexican Labor Section, who reported on the difficulties encountered since February in the Mexican Labor Program. He said nothing constructive had been accomplished in spite of conferences held in Washington with both Congressmen and Senators on three or four occasions during the year. He recommended and moved that the Association employ William H. Tyson, former Solicitor General of the Labor Department and now a private lawyer in Washington, to investigate the program for us and to help in any way he could. The motion was seconded. President Kincaid stated that the Association would not retain

HOUSTON PREMIUMS ANNOUNCED

PREMIUM LISTS for the big 1959 Houston Fat Stock Show to be held February 25 through March 8 are being distributed October 1 to approximately 7,500 exhibitors throughout the United States by livestock manager, John Kuykendall, 2038 Commerce Building, Houston.

The lists offer pertinent information on open and junior shows, including premiums, arrival and release dates, auction sales dates, and daily schedules.

It was also announced that superintendents for the 1959 show have been named. They are, in part:

BREEDING BEEF CATTLE, OPEN CLASS — Superintendent, A. B. Childers, Waco, Texas; Assistant Superintendent, Uel D. Thompson, College Station, Texas.

BREEDING BEEF CATTLE, JUNIOR DIVISION—Superintendent, O. M. Holt, College Station, Texas; Assistant Superintendent, T. D. Tanksley, Jr., College Station, Texas.

STEERS—Superintendent, A. L. Smith, College Station, Texas; Assistant Superintendent, T. R. Rhodes, Madisonville, Texas; Assistant Superintendent, V. G. Young, College Station, Texas.

BREEDING SHEEP AND GOATS, OPEN CLASS—Honorary Superintendent, Guy Powell, Kerrville, Texas; Superintendent, Elmo Todd, Truscott, Texas; Assistant Superintendent, R. A. Hanson, Jr., Winters, Texas.

BREEDING SHEEP, JUNIOR DIVISION — Superintendent, Dr. T. D. Watkins, Jr., College Station, Texas; Assistant Superintendent, Don Jobs, Jr., Cypress, Texas.

JUNIOR COMMERCIAL STEERS — Superintendent, Roy W. Snyder, College Station, Texas; Assistant Superintendent, Lester Buford, Houston, Texas.

FAT LAMBS—Superintendent, E. L. Tiner, College Station, Texas; Assistant Superintendent, Douglas Wythe, College Station, Texas.

QUARTER AND CUTTING HORSES—Superintendent, Lester Goodson, Houston, Texas; Assistant Superintendent, Cutting Horse Division, Dr. W. H. Worrell, Houston, Texas; Assistant Superintendent, Quarter Horse Division, Louis M. Pearce, Jr., Houston, Texas.

JUNIOR GRASS JUDGING CONTEST—Superintendent, Mack McConnell, Houston, Texas; Assistant Superintendent, George Stone, Huntsville, Texas.

JUNIOR DAIRY JUDGING CONTEST—Superintendent, O. M. Holt, College Station, Texas; Assistant Superintendent, A. M. Meekma, College Station, Texas.

4H AND FFA LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST—Superintendent, E. V. Walton, College Station, Texas; Assistant Superintendent, T. D. Tanksley, Jr., College Station, Texas.

COLLEGIATE LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST—Superintendent, W. T. Berry, Jr., College Station, Texas; Assistant Superintendent, T. L. Leach, Lubbock, Texas.

Mr. Tyson if his fee was too high. The motion carried.

Raymond Hicks, Chairman, College Research and Extension Section, reported that their committee voted to request the Association to ask the Texas Agriculture Experiment Station to begin work to develop a new and better method for control of internal parasites in sheep and goats.

Jimmy Powell, Chairman, Wool Promotion Committee, reported on the first National Miss Wool Pageant and said that the American Sheep Producers Council possibly would make funds available for the 1960 National Miss Wool after her selection.

J. B. McCord, Chairman, Water Committee, reported no action since the last meeting.

President Kincaid mentioned the

annual convention to be held in Dallas, December 8-10 with headquarters at the Adolphus Hotel.

First Vice President Sears announced that invitations had been received from the city of Abilene and a resort near Ingram for the quarterly meeting next spring and suggested that a vote be taken on it at the annual convention in December.

Mr. Moser, President, Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, said that their Secretary-Manager, Charles Stewart, would be in Washington the following week and asked that he be advised of the Mexican Labor situation so that he could voice a protest there.

First Vice President Sears mentioned the National Wool Growers Association Convention to be held in Portland, Oregon, January 26-29, and

urged all who plan to go to make room reservations early.

The meeting adjourned at 3:25 P.M.

STATEMENT REQUIRED BY THE ACT OF AUGUST 24, 1912, AS AMENDED BY THE ACTS OF MARCH 3, 1933, AND JULY 2, 1946, (TITLE 39, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 233) SHOWING THE OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT AND CIRCULATION OF: THE SHEEP AND GOAT RAISER

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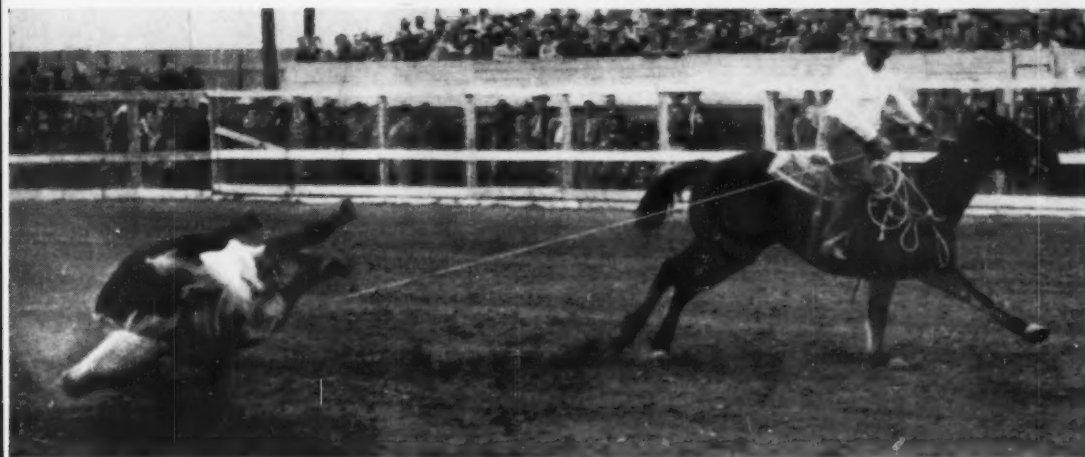
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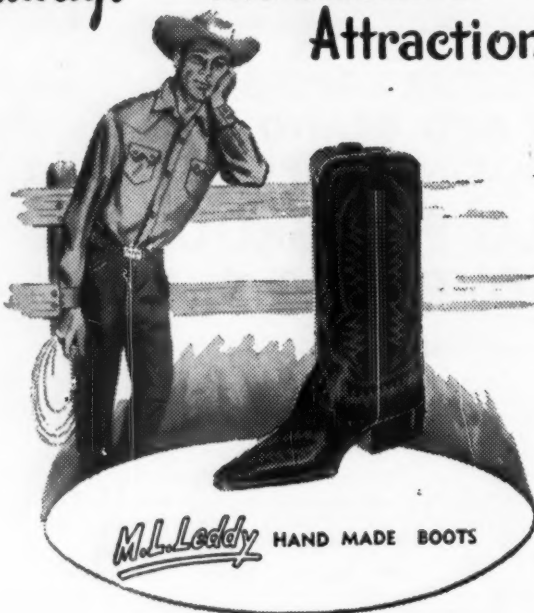
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Texas Delaine News

By MRS. G. A. GLIMP

THE RECENT rains throughout the state have kept the sheep market the best in years, and most ranchers are actually in need of more stock. This is the first time in many years pastures have furnished so much grazing, and it is, indeed, a much brighter over-all picture than any had dared to hope for.

The demand for ewes has been very good this year, and those who have had ewes for sale report the demand much greater than the offering. This was especially true in the ewes Mrs. T. G. Gromatzky had for sale. The entire flock was sold to E. G. Branch of Rankin, and we are very happy to have him as a new member of our association. Mr. Branch has long been recognized for his ability in producing champion fat lambs, and we feel this new investment could prove his adeptness in producing choice breeding animals. We wish for him every success and feel that in a short time his name will be among the top exhibitors of the show circuit.

It is always encouraging news to note the success of our new Junior breeders. We are most happy over the recent winnings of Don Newquist, Stamford, in the Fisher County show. Don had the champion ewe and ram of the show. He was one of the main buyers at the annual Delaine sale in Coleman and has made additional purchases of ewes from the H. C. and Geo. Johanson flock. His enthusiasm and ability to produce top quality show animals will be in evidence at many of the major shows this year.

Joe LeMay has had one of the largest lamb crops produced in many years. He will be able to cull his lambs before registering this year by means of tattoo. He says this is additional work, but he will not be registering lambs that are culls, and only the best ones will be labeled. His pastures are in extremely good condition, and type and quality of animals Joe usually produces should not leave too many cull lambs for him.

J. L. Hillman of Mullen and Troy Johnson of Gatesville have made recent purchases of ewes for foundation breeding from the flock of David Waters and Joe LeMay, respectively. Elam Miles and Annette Duncan have

also made additional purchases of ewes and ewe lambs to add to their fast growing flocks.

As another reminder, if you have ewes for sale and wish to do so, send in the amount you have and the information can be passed on to parties interested in making purchases.

NEW PITTING DEVICE PATENTED BY

LOUIS BUTMAN

LOUIS BUTMAN, who lives on Route 4, has obtained a patent on a device that may be attached to the track of crawler-type tractors that is intended to convert the machine into a range pitting machine.

It utilizes the same principle as the rotary pitting device that has been perfected and has been used on a limited scale in pasture pitting practices in recent years.

Butman's patent eliminates the need for the heavy rotary device and thus reduces to one the equipment needed, a heavy crawler-type tractor.

The patent is a blade that can be attached and detached on the track of the crawler-type tractor. The blades are affixed at equal intervals on the track and as the heavy machine moves the blades dig into the earth and leave equally spaced pits that catch and hold rainfall until it penetrates the soil.

The invention holds much promise in soil conservation work.

EMERGENCY DROUTH LOAN TIME EXTENDED

THE O. C. FISHER bill to extend the time for handling previously made federal emergency livestock loans during the drouth has been enacted. It will be most helpful to drouth victims who made use of this type of loan.

This bill gives the Farmers Home Administration an additional two years for extensions and collections.

Ranchmen in the Southwest who have utilized their emergency service have a splendid record of repayment under adverse conditions and little if any loss is expected to accrue to the government especially since the extension has been granted.

The 400-acre place of Mrs. Katherine Moss, a few miles north of Uvalde, has been bought by Clyde Watkins.

Some reports are current that a salt mix containing penicillin is effective in preventing bloat in lambs grazing on green feed.

The Uvalde Wool and Mohair Company has completed selling its accumulation of mohair at prices of 71½ cents for adult and \$1.015 for kid hair. The buyers were Emery, Russell and Goodrich of Boston, represented by Al Dishman, and Collins and Company, represented by Louie Ragland.

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What's New

NEW PUSH BUTTON SPRAY

STOCKMEN WHO have had trouble controlling Pink Eye — and that includes most stockmen — will welcome this news. A new and convenient way to effectively treat and prevent Pink Eye in cattle and sheep has recently been introduced. Called Cooper Pressurized Opticure Spray, this new medication comes in a push button can with a metered valve. Each press of the nozzle releases a measured dose, assuring uniform treatment. This convenient method of application eliminates the possibility of using too little or too much medication, breakage, spilling, or any of the other problems that have made the conventional powder or liquid treatments for Pink Eye troublesome and ineffectual. With this pressurized spray you get the right amount of medication in the right spot, every time. This Cooper formulation is a combination of medically proven ingredients that clear up the infection and at the same time, stain the eye to protect against the irritating effects of the sun's rays. It usually takes only one application to clear up the Pink Eye condition so the animal can see where it is going, can resume normal feeding and can achieve the satisfactory weight gains. Healthy animals should also be treated to prevent their acquiring this infectious disease from others in the herd. Cooper Pressurized Opticure Spray is always ready to use, won't break or spill. The handy pocket-size can will treat 500 eyes. Cooper Pressurized Opticure Spray is available at most dealers.

A GOAT - PROOF CATTLE GUARD?

ONE OF the readers of this magazine is inquiring about a goat-proof cattle guard. We have discussed this with a number of goat men, and so far as we can find out there is no such thing as a cattle guard which will also turn the Angora goat.

If any reader has anything in the way of a suggestion about this, let us hear from you.

NEW GLOBE PRODUCT

An emulsifiable concentrate containing toxaphene and BRC to control insects by spraying livestock, fences, garbage cans, and other surfaces in barns, poultry houses and buildings has been developed by Globe Laboratories of Fort Worth, Texas.

The product, to be marketed under the trade name of Glo-Tox, is mixed at the rate of one quart to forty gallons of water for complete kill of ticks, horn flies, and lice on cattle. It also gives good protection against reinfestation.

The insecticide can be mixed one quart to 120 gallons of water for killing lice and keds on sheep and goats. One quart of Glo-Tox to forty gallons of water will control fleece worms and ticks on sheep.

An increasingly popular method of

horn fly and lice control on cattle is the "back rubber," a strand of wires wrapped with burlap which is saturated with a solution of Glo-Tox and fuel oil, or diesel oil. The cattle rub up against the back rubber, and rub the insecticide onto their backs.

One pint of Glo-Tox and five gallons of water makes an effective spray to control fleas, mosquitos, roaches, stable flies, and many other insects in barns, barnyards, and outbuildings.

A KEY TO BETTER WEED AND INSECT CONTROL

A new twist on weed control is being predicted by Agronomist R. S. Dunham of the University of Minnesota. He foresees development of chemicals that will either kill weed seeds on the plant, probably in the fall, or stimulate weed seeds to germinate in the fall so they will be "frozen to death" during the winter.

Another way might be to prevent weed seed from germinating in the spring by applying chemicals before planting in the spring.

Is this the key to insect control? The Agriculture Department scientists think maybe it is — but much more research is needed to prove it out.

The possible key is this: Using the insecticide malathion, USDA researchers working with spider mites attacking pole lima beans found the insects easier to kill when plants received proper amounts of plant nutrients (nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium) for good growth. *On the other hand*, when plant received either less or more than the required amounts for good growth, mites were generally harder to kill. *So* — the evidence is that best insect control can be gotten by feeding plants properly and then applying the bug-killer.

Experiments indicate that resistance to insecticides such as the chlorinated hydrocarbons may actually represent changes in susceptibility caused by variations in plant nutrient levels. Further experiments may help develop the advantage of timing insect control practices with seasonal variations of nutrients in plants. USDA officials believe their scientists are on the threshold of some startling new scientific breakthroughs.

A sale of about 100,000 pounds of mohair was announced in early September by the Uvalde Producers Wool and Mohair Company at 71½ cents per pound. The buyer was Bevie Demoville of San Angelo. Last year he was a major buyer of mohair, much of which went abroad.

The most positive assurance that the drought has broken is the complaints of ranchmen about water drowning out their grass.

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THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING OF WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

THE WOMAN'S Auxiliary to the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association met at 10:00 A.M., Saturday, September 27, 1958, at the Alpine Country Club, Alpine, Texas.

Mrs. John Alexander presided in the absence of the president, Mrs. Adolf Stieler.

The invocation and address of welcome were given by Mrs. Lois McIntyre of Alpine.

The response was given by Mrs. J. B. McCord of Coleman.

The announcement was made and sympathy expressed for the absent members of the Fritz Stieler family.

The nominating committee, composed of Mrs. John Alexander, Mrs. R. R. Walston and Mrs. Joe Dobson, reported continued efforts to secure officers for the coming year.

The wool promotion chairman, Mrs. T. A. Kincaid, Jr., gave a report

on the National Miss Wool Pageant held in San Angelo, Texas, August 29, 1958.

Mrs. Herman Saenger and Mrs. Merlin Davis encouraged members to ask for wool and mohair to be placed

RAINS

RANCHMEN begin to feel good when they start measuring rainfall in feet instead of inches—and that is what some of them did in September. Buster Dooley of Brackettville reports about 60 inches this year, while Merlin Davis of Rocksprings figures that September rainfall was about 2½ feet on his ranch.

Over the Southwest range area only a few places have been skipped in the generous downpours. About the only damage to ranches has been to water gaps and some washed-out fences.

in all materials, especially in upholstery of cars and furniture.

The resolutions committee composed of Mrs. Sayers Farmer and Mrs. Ernest Williams expressed grate-

ful appreciation to Alpine members and friends who made our visit so pleasant.

MAC KINCAID
Acting Secretary

HILL COUNTRY SALE AVERAGE HIGH

THE 22ND annual Hill Country buck sale was held August 8 and 9 in conjunction with the Hill Country Fair at Junction. 213 bucks sold for an average of \$92.25. There were 36 consignors, more than ever before in the history of the event, according to County Agent Vernon Jones. Jones also stated that more goats were sold than in the past several years.

W. A. Elms of Eldorado bought the top goat of the sale from Will Allison, Roosevelt. On the first day of the sale the top 20 were sold for an average of \$229.25. Average price of \$112.20 was paid for the 109 bucks sold the first day. The 104 sold the second day averaged \$70.31.

Walker Epperson, Rocksprings, bought 9 goats for \$1,540; Mack Yates, San Saba, 10 for \$1,040; DeWolf and West, Christoval, 16 for \$990; Cecil Meador, Eldorado, 11 for \$640; Wilburn Netherly, Junction, 4 for \$650; Fritz Luckenbach, Menard, 9 for \$640, and Jess Hankins, Rocksprings, 4 for \$540. Henry Speck of Eldorado paid \$230 for a Milton Watters goat. Jack Ewing, Coleman, paid \$560 for 9; Miss Wanda Watson, Ozona, \$455 for 8; J. S. Farmer, Junction, \$335 for 6; Dr. Ted Holkamp, \$340 for 4; Nasworthy, \$360 for 7.

BURROWS GOAT TOPS REAL COUNTY SALE

THE SEVENTH Annual Sale of the Real County Registered Angora Goat Breeders' Association was held September 6 in Leakey. Sponsored by breeders from Real, Edwards, Uvalde, and Bandera Counties, the sale brought a grand total of \$7,725.

One hundred nineteen bucks sold for \$6,955 and averaged \$58.44 per head. Sixteen does with two re-sales brought \$770 for a \$42.77 average.

C. H. Godbold of Leakey paid the highest price for a buck. Selling for \$300, the buck was consigned by Mrs. Vera Burrows of Barksdale.

LeRoy Nichols of Leakey consigned the highest selling doe, which was purchased for \$150 by fourteen members of the Real Registered Angora Goat Raisers' Association. The purchasers gave the goat to Gail Nichols, the present Miss Mohair, who resold it for \$95 to C. A. Burrows of Barksdale.

Howard Hay of Bandera bought a doe from C. L. Boren of Leakey, paying \$32.50. This doe was also given to Miss Mohair and resold by her to Bill Day of Mason for \$40. Proceeds from the sale of these two does go to Miss Mohair to help her complete her mohair wardrobe. Miss Mohair kept a doe given to her by J. B. Reagan, Sr.

Largest buyers at the sale included Luther Jernigan of Goldthwaite, who bought 10 bucks and two does. He paid \$567.50 for the 12 head.

Mrs. Huston Callan of Menard paid \$505 for six bucks.

Leslie Sansom of Leakey paid \$380 for 10 does and one buck.

C. F. Jeske of Priddy bought 10 bucks for \$410.

Some of those selling goats were: Phyllis Sweeten of Rocksprings, two bucks for \$200; Claude Haby of Leakey, 7 bucks for \$575; Authur Davis of Concan, 6 bucks for \$550; Mrs. Vera Burrows of Barksdale, 7 bucks for \$610; and C. L. Boren of Leakey, 4 does for \$135.

Over fifty buyers from various parts of the state bought goats.

SAN ANGELO STOCK SHOW TO BUILD JUDGING ARENA

A COVERED show arena will be built on the San Angelo Fat Stock Show grounds between the sheep and cattle barns, according to San Angelo Stock Show officials. Cost of the project will be around \$15,000 with some saving to accrue if steel from the old grandstand is used.

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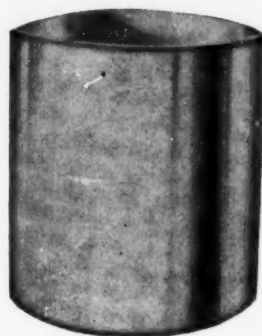
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